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LOWELL MASS. FRIDAY DECEMBER 24 1915

PRICE ONE CENT

# TAINTED TURKEY SENT BACK FROM CITY FARM

There was quite a sensation at city hall this morning when it was reported that turkeys sent to the Chelmsford street hospital for the Christmas dinner tomorrow were tainted.

The report finally reached the mayor's office and the mayor, in company with Purchasing Agent Foye, Agent Bates of the board of health, and Dr. Clement L. Hamblin, inspector of meat and provisions, went to the Chelmsford street hospital to examine the turkeys.

As a result of the visit of these officials, 208 of the 650 pounds of turkey purchased for the inmates' dinner tomorrow were condemned and as some of the remaining 452 pounds didn't look any too good, it was decided to send back the whole lot and have them replaced by good turkeys.

The contract price for the turkeys was 21 cents a pound. They were delivered yesterday afternoon and while Superintendent Conley who talked with a reporter for The Sun this morning relative to the Christmas dinner at the farm did not say anything about the bad turkeys, it is to be assumed he was at that moment about to consult the mayor and the purchasing agent in the matter.

It was stated by the examiners that some of the birds were black and that the odor was not nearly as refreshing as the ozone of the pines. The purchasing agent gave as his opinion that some of the birds were not turkeys as quite a number of them weighed less than six pounds. Dr. Hamblin took one of the birds away with him for future reference.

Asked about the bad turkeys, the mayor said: "The matter was reported to me this morning and I went to the Chelmsford street hospital. I thought at first that the purchasing agent would be the man to act, but I discovered that it was up to me and I condemned 208 of a total of 650 pounds. I took the inspector of meat and provisions along in order to be on the safe side, but it wasn't really necessary, as it was plain to be seen that the birds, some of them at least, were bad. The rest of them were none too good and it was finally decided to send all of them back and get a new lot."

Their Christmas Dinner

There are now about 100 inmates at the hospital at the present time and it was estimated that 650 pounds of turkey would feed them all. With the turkey, of course, will go all the fixings, mashed potatoes, mashed turnips, squash, brown gravy, pudding, pie, tea, coffee, fruit, nuts and candy. There will be about 100 of the 400 inmates who will not be able to take seats at the big table and their meals will be served them in bed. The inmates always look forward to Christmas with all the good cheer that the season insures. At 7:30 tomorrow morning,

**WARNING**  
The Corporation known as the Proprietors of the Lowell Cemetery warns all persons against depredation upon its territory the present holiday. Detection in the cutting of any tree or shrub will be followed by prosecution, an exemplary effort will be made to punish the individual to the fullest extent of the law. Before purchasing Christmas trees from a burial ground, read the law of the commonwealth.

CHARLES L. KNAPP,  
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# FORD QUILTS PEACE PARTY AND SAILS FOR NEW YORK

Mr. Fletcher of the Sacred Heart church will celebrate mass. The soloists at the mass will be Mrs. Young, John Dalton, Wm. Jenkins and Frank Burns. After mass the singers will go through the institution singing to those who were unable to attend mass.

**Granite Base for Mortar**

The granite base for the mortar presented the city by Congressman John Jacob Rogers was put in position on the concrete foundation between the Memorial building and city hall this afternoon. Mr. Patrick Corrigan had the contract to place the granite base and it required a four-horse hitch to pull it.

The monster piece of granite was taken from the Fletcher quarry in Mifflin, N. H., and was cut at the Fletcher quarry in Westford from which point it was shipped to Lowell. The weight of the granite base is estimated at ten tons and it required the strength, ingenuity and skill of six men well accustomed to the handling of such things to put the big base in position. It was a slow job, but the men knew their business and handled it without a hitch. The granite base is inscribed as follows: "Dedicated to the City of Lowell by John Jacob Rogers, 1915." Mr. Rogers volunteered to pay all of the expense connected with the mortar, including the cement base, granite base and the moving of the mortar from the North common.

**Examination for Chauffeurs**

The weekly examination for chauffeurs took place at city hall this forenoon and there were 12 applicants for chauffeur's licenses. These examinations are conducted under the auspices

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CHRISTIANIA, Norway, Dec. 24.—States to continue her work for peace via London, 2:35 p.m.—The Norwegian liner Bergensfjord with Henry Ford on board, sailed for New York this morning. Mr. Ford stated before leaving Bergen that the peace expedition would continue under the auspices of the Women's International Peace Association.

Rev. Samuel S. Marquett, dean of St. Paul's cathedral, Detroit, sailed from Bergen with Mr. Ford.

Henry Ford's departure from Europe apparently marks the termination in its original form of the most novel of the many movements which have been undertaken to bring about the ending of the war. Mr. Ford's announcement that the Women's International Peace Association, henceforth will conduct the expedition, would seem to indicate that, so far as he personally is concerned, he will relinquish the self-imposed task which he expressed in the phrase "out of the trenches by Christmas." It has not been made clear, however, whether Mr. Ford will continue to give

financial support to the enterprise. The Women's International Peace Association has been in existence for some time. It held congress at The Hague last spring and appointed delegations to visit the capitals of various European and American nations.

One of the most prominent women at the congress was Mme. Rosika Schwimmer, president of the Hungarian Woman Suffrage Association and a member of the Ford peace party. After the congress at The Hague, Mme. Schwimmer came to the United States to continue her work for peace.

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**States to continue her work for peace**

She went to Detroit to see Mr. Ford and it was reported that she who suggested to him the idea of the peace expedition.

Before leaving the peace ship Oscar II reached the other side there were reports of dissension among the peace delegates.

When Mr. Ford reached Christiania he kept in the background, it being said that he was ill. It was not until last night, however, that the unconfirmed report that he had quit the party reached this country.

Although full details have not been received, it would appear that he made his departure secretly and that most of the peace delegates, at the time they left Christiania for Stockholm, were ignorant of the fact that he was not to go on with them. One Christiania despatch said Mr. Ford had boarded a train from Christiania for Bergen yesterday at about the time his former associates were leaving for Stockholm. It was said Mr. Ford's sudden departure was due to the fact that his physicians had ordered him to rest.

**Ford Makes Statement**

Before leaving Christiania for Bergen, Mr. Ford wrote out the following statement for the press:

"I am satisfied with what has been accomplished in Christiania. Peace has

been given publicly. Newspapers have

power to end the war for it is through

publicity that the gospel of peace is

spread.

"Norway is like every other country. The people are all right."

In announcing at Bergen the circumstances under which the expedition would be continued, Mr. Ford said a committee had been appointed to act as leaders. It consists of Judge Ben Lindsey of Denver, the Rev. Dr. Jenkins, Lloyd Jones of Chicago, John Barry of San Francisco, Lt. Col. Andrew J. Belcher of South Carolina and Louis P. Locher of Chicago, Mr. Ford's secretary.

Christiania newspapers say that in view of Mr. Ford's departure no prominent Norwegians will join the expedition.

**FORD GIVES \$270,000**

LONDON, Dec. 24.—A Copenhagen despatch to the Exchange Telegraph Co. says:

"Before leaving Mr. Ford gave a check for 1,000,000 kroner (about \$270,000) to finance the expedition. He left because he recognized that it was impossible to make headway. His party was always at loggerheads and Scandinavian pacifists adopted an attitude of reserve. When Mr. Ford found all official doors closed he broke down."

**MAY GET NOBEL PEACE PRIZE**

CHRISTIANIA, Norway, Dec. 24.—

Henry Ford may get the next Nobel peace prize. His gift of \$10,000 to the Norwegian Students' Association has

been given publicly. Newspapers have

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# EUROPEAN SOCIALISTS DISCUSS PEACE TERMS

European socialists collectively have taken up the peace question, according to the Amsterdam Telegraaf which declares that prominent members of the socialist group from all the warring nations except Italy met at The Hague two days ago. Means for furthering a speedy peace were provisionally discussed, the newspaper declares.

**British Casualties**

British war casualties totalled 528, 227 up to Dec. 3. It was officially announced in London today.

**French Driven Out**

The Germans have completed their re-conquest on the Hartmanns-Wellerkopf positions recently taken by the French in their offensive in the Vosges region, Berlin announces. Today's statement tells of the French being driven from the last of the trenches they still held—those on the northern slope of the mountain.

**On the French Front**

There has been a continuation of lively artillery activity along the front in France, according to the German war office, while northeast of Souain, in the Champagne region, the French made a night attack with hand grenades. This was easily repulsed, Berlin adds.

**Austrians Repulsed**

Montenegrin official statements recently have indicated that the Austrians were meeting with stiff resistance by the troops of King Nicholas. Today's communication records the repulse of an Austrian attack on Youzhik with heavy losses to the assaulting force, and the driving back of another Austrian column in the vicinity of Bileo.

## ENTOMBED FOR 96 HOURS

SHAMOKIN, Pa., Dec. 24.—After being entombed by a rush of coal at the Richards colliery of the Reading company since Monday last, a period of 96 hours, Joseph Renock, a miner, was taken out alive at 10 o'clock this morning.

A force of 120 men had been working for the last four days at the risk of their lives in an effort to rescue the imprisoned man. The men encountered a large steel car in the gangway, and it was necessary to chisel the car away before the rescue work could be continued. Renock, though very weak when he was taken from the mine, is expected to recover.

**YOUNG SOLDIER NOW A FATHER**

Mrs. Wilfrid Desilets of Montreal, Que., and formerly of this city, according to the Montreal newspapers, is the youngest mother, whose husband is fighting under the colors of Canada in the trenches of France.

Mrs. Desilets, who is 17 years of age, has recently given birth to a son, and both are doing well. The father of the new born child is Wilfrid Desilets, formerly of this city and a brother of Horace Desilets of Lowell. He is a member of the Canadian Ambulance Corps in the French trenches. It will be remembered that a few weeks ago an official report reached this city to the effect that Mr. Desilets had been killed in the trenches. This report, however, was denied some time later, and the young man is soon to receive word to the effect that he is now a father.

**Census Enumerators**

It is a general comment that the census enumerators should be people of the various nationalities which are represented in the city and in this way a more complete enumeration of the foreign born elements constituting the cosmopolitan make-up of the city would result in a more satisfactory census return than the one announced.

The bonus system of the state bureau and the desire of the chief enumerators to make returns for certain cities and towns at as little cost as possible sometimes result in an inaccurate return and a gross injustice to a city.

It is my belief that the population of Lowell properly accounted for would reach the mark of 115,000.

**RELIEF OF AMERICANS**

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—State department agents on the Mexican border have been instructed to do what they can to affect the relief of Americans reported held by Villa's men on the Hearst ranch in Chihuahua.

**CREW OF ABANDONED VESSEL**

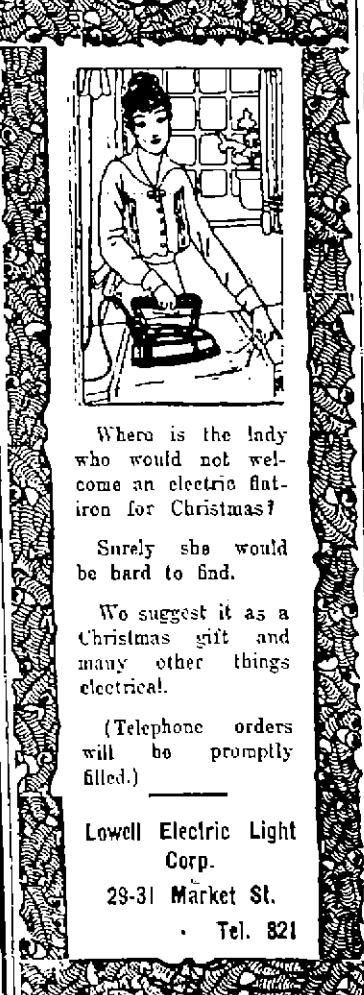
TURKS ISLAND, West Indies, Dec. 24.—The steamer Yaqul landed here today the crew of the steamer Northmount, from Newport, R. I., which was abandoned on Dec. 13. The Yaqul picked up the Northmount's crew the day following.

The British steamer Northmount sailed from Newport, R. I., on December 17 and the Yaqul from New York on Dec. 18, for Turks Island.

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Is here. Not to break in harshly on the Merry—how about the day, the week after? We have been good spenders, that joy might come to others. Why not next week do some repair work? Why not begin to save some money for yourself?

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# THE CHRISTMAS SERVICES

Elaborate Programs in Churches  
Tomorrow — Sermons on the  
Savior's Nativity

Tomorrow most of the local churches will celebrate Christmas by grand musical programs and services appropriate to the occasion. In the Catholic churches especially the observance will be carried out on a very elaborate scale. In some of the churches the Christmas programs were given last Sunday. The principal to be given tomorrow are presented below. The sermons will deal with the story of the Nativity of Christ the Savior.

The programs:

**ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH**  
Solemn High Mass 11 O'CLOCK  
Processional, Adagio Fideles, Novelle Christmas Carols, Arundel Introit, Puer Natus, G. Capocci, Sanctuary Choir.

**SACRED HEART CHURCH**  
Solemn High Mass 11 a. m.

Organ Prelude, Improvisation, Fagier Processional Hymns:

(a) Angels From the Realm of Glory, Rev. A. Young

(b) Two in the Winter Cold, Sanctuary Choir.

Introit, Puer Natus, Gregorian Kyrie, St. Cecilia's Mass, Chas. Gounod Sanctus, St. Cecilia's Mass, Chas. Gounod Gloria, St. Cecilia's Mass, Chas. Gounod Credo, St. Cecilia's Mass, Chas. Gounod Church Choir.

Communion, Viderunt Omnes, Falkenstein Recessional, Carol, Arundel.

Response by sanctuary choir of 30 voices, Brother Niles, director, James King, chanter.

(c) O Salutaris, Miss Alice Murphy, soprano; Mrs. James Morris, contralto; Mr. John McNabb, tenor; Mr. Andrew A. McCarthy, baritone, assisted by Misses Margaret O'Donoghue, Theresa Slattery, soprano; Mr. John Keegan, tenor; Mr. D. S. O'Brien, baritone; a chorus of 25 voices and M. J. John, organ at the organ.

**Vesper 7 O'Clock**

Processional: "See Amid the Winter's Snow", Arundel.

Christmas Carols, Arundel.

Mass and antiphons of the feast solemnly sung by church and sanctuary choir.

Plain Chant, Bristol.

Hymn of the Day, Jesus Redemptor, Dona Mueller.

Magnificat, Plain Chant.

Antiphon of the season, Alma Redemptoris, Webster.

Sanctuary Choir.

Recessional.

The girl's choir, under the direction of the Sisters of Notre Dame, will sing Christmas carols at the 6 and 8:30 o'clock masses. John J. Kelly will preside at the organ.

**ST. PETER'S CHURCH**

Solemn High Mass at 11 a. m.

The choir will sing Gounod's Mass of the Sacred Heart, and at the offertory, Van Reyschoot's "Nato Nobis" Salvatore.

Solemn Vespers at 5 p. m.

An elaborate musical program will be rendered by the regular chorus and quartet, consisting of Miss Gertrude Keleher, soprano; Miss Elizabeth Murningham, alto; Mr. James Donnelly, baritone; Miss Carolyn White, organist; Mr. Joseph Egan, cantor.

**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH**

Solemn High Mass at 11 a. m.

Processional, The Birthday of a King, Neldlinger.

Sanctuary Choir.

Introit, Puer Natus, Capocci.

Mass, Kyrie, Gloria, Credo, Sanctus and Agnus Dei, Kalliwoda.

Graduale, Viderunt Omnes, Falkenstein Offertory, Tu Sunt Coel, Stelle Morte, Van Reyschoot.

Miss Frank P. McCarthy and Chorus.

Communion, Viderunt Omnes, Falkenstein.

Recessional, O Holy Night, Falkenstein.

Sanctuary Choir.

Solemn Vespers at 6:30 p. m.

Processional, Adagio Fideles, Silent Night.

Sanctuary Choir.

Psalm, Dixit Dominus.

Confitebor Tibi, Beatus Vir.

De Profundis.

Memento Domine.

Gregorian Hymn, Jesu Redemptor.

Magnificat.

Ecce Agnus Dei.

Alma Redemptoris, Pleyel.

O Salutaris, Rossini.

Antiphon, Mr. David P. Martin.

Tantum Ergo, Gruber.

Laude Domini, Gregorian.

Recessional, Around Little Bethlehem.

Sanctuary Choir.

Soliloquy, John O'Brien, Charles McCarren, Art McQuade, Jr.

A choir of 30 voices assisted by the following soloists: Mrs. Frank P. McCarthy and Miss Bella Walsh, soprano; Miss Katherine McCaffery, alto; Mr. Art McQuade, tenor; Messrs. David P. Martin and Frank Kane, basses; Mrs.

## GREETINGS

George H. Wood, the Jeweler, wishes to thank all his friends and customers for their patronage in making this season his banner year, and wishes all a

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## ST. CECILIA'S

High Mass at 11 O'CLOCK

Processional March, E. A. Battista

Asperges, E. A. Battista

Kyrie, St. Cecilia's, Turner

Gloria, St. Cecilia's, Turner

Credo, St. Cecilia's, Turner

Choir

Offertory: Ave Maria

Katherine Klassen, Charles McQuillan, Albert Klemm

Sanctus, St. Cecilia's, Turner

Benedictus, St. Cecilia's, Turner

Agnus Dei, St. Cecilia's, Turner

Choir

Recessional March, E. A. Battista

Evening Services at 7:30 O'CLOCK

March, E. A. Battista

O Holy Night, Katherine Klassen

O Salutoris, Wergner

Tantum Ergo, Wergner

Holy God, Choir

Offertory, E. A. Battista

Sanctus, Chor

Benedictus, Chor

Choir

Recessional

ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH

At the 10:45 o'clock mass, an augmented choir, under the direction of Mr. John F. McGlinchey, organist, will sing Rosey's Mass in F. At the offertory, Miss Katherine V. Hennessy, soprano, will render Hache's beautiful "Ave Verum".

At the 9 o'clock mass, Christmas carols will be sung by the newly organized children's choir. The solos of the "Adeste Fideles" will be taken by Master John Goodrow, Miss Rose McGlynn, Charles Guff, and Miss Evelyn Cox. Miss Theresa Hennessy, organist, and director.

An elaborate musical program, embracing both choirs, has been arranged for vespers at 4 p. m.

ST. LOUIS' CHURCH

Solemn High Mass at 8:30 a. m.

Processional, Organ and orchestra

Asperges, Gregorian

Introit, Puer Natus Est, Gregorian

Benedictus, St. Cecilia's Mass, Charles Gounod

Agnus Dei, St. Cecilia's Mass, Charles Gounod

Church Choir

Communion, Adeste Fideles, Gregorian

Sanctuary Choir

Recessional Hymns:

(a) See Amid the Winter Snow, Rev. A. Young

(b) Two in the Winter Cold, Sanctuary Choir.

Postlude, Glori la Deo, God, Mozart

Organ, Marche de Fa, Wagner

Soloists in Mass: Mrs. Philip Mooney, Mr. John McMahon, Mr. George Kirwin.

Vesper Service at 4:30 p. m.

Organ Prelude, Organ Voluntaries

(a) O Salutaris, Read

(b) Meditation, Morrison

(c) Prelude and Melody, Read

(d) Triumphal March, Shuey

Processional Hymns:

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Postlude, Gloria la Deo, God, Mozart

Organ, Festival March, Flagler

Sanctuary Choir

Recessional Hymns:

(a) See Amid the Winter Snow, English Air

(b) In the Lowly Manger Lying, Willard

Sanctuary Choir.

Postlude, Gloria la Deo, God, Mozart

Organ, Marche de Fa, Wagner

Soloists in Mass: Mrs. Philip Mooney, Mr. John McMahon, Mr. George Kirwin.

Vesper Service at 6:30 p. m.

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## A QUARTER CENTURY AGO

Quarter of a century ago, The Sun issued a special Christmas souvenirs edition in honor of the holiday and among its special features was a fragmentary poem appropriate to the occasion and entitled "The Incarnation," written for The Sun by Mr. Edward J. Gallagher, then, as at present, the editor of The Sun. At that time Mr. Gallagher intended, at a later date, to extend the poem so as to cover the work of redemption and the changes brought about by Christianity; but he has never found the time necessary for such an undertaking. Hence the poem appears below practically as printed twenty-five years ago:

**The Incarnation**  
Obeying to the fiat of His will  
The promise of redemption to fulfill,  
A mystery is wrought that will alone  
For Adam's primal sin, nay to the  
whole race,  
Of God had all who will and thus re-  
solved  
To man his destiny forevermore.  
A Being infinite was disobeyed  
And infinite the ransom to be paid;  
A God eternal and omnipotent  
To end in human form will now be  
seen.  
One person of the Trinity on high  
Must come of woman born as man to  
die,  
And leave mankind the gospel of his  
love,  
The light of truth to lead to heaven above.

Already has an angel hailed the Queen,  
The future mother of the Nazarene,  
Conceived immaculate, of woman blest,  
Her motherhood divine will ever attest.  
The court of heaven holds a jubilee  
The Christ descends to set his people  
free  
From Rush glorious orbs to heaven's portal high  
With beams sublime to wait their God  
pass by.  
There, dazzling all arrayed on either side,  
Creation's glory, majesty abides  
To see the God of hosts descend below  
On earth to conquer man's eternal foe  
That fell usurper, Satan, there to smite,  
And man with God forever reunite;  
Our God redeemed forevermore to reign  
That evil never may blight his bliss again.

Those beauteous orbs in beams re-  
splendent vie,  
Their greatest ray would vanquish hu-  
man eye  
On heaven's battlements and far away  
They pour their light intense and well  
display  
Infinite of space illumined, the glow,  
Of golden sunset, dawn and polar bow—  
All lovely hues and shades that seem  
The blissful visions of an angel's dream.

But lo! now heaven's portals open wide  
And forth a mighty host of angels glide,  
There martyrs, prophets, crowned with glo-  
ries shine,  
There angels glow in rarest beams divine  
And there Creation's God in highest glory  
dwell  
Before whose face those orbs have  
paled from sight;  
Beside the beams Arnold that shine in him,  
A wide infinity of suns were dim.

Angelic anthems through the ether swell

Delighting all in upper worlds that dwell

Celestial beings above, below, around

Those wide vacuums of space resound

And echoes sweet in universal play.

Beyond creation's limits die away.

Some saints have seen a beauteous

bird of light, That enfolded spirit lays in heaven's high

In melody that lulled all care to rest

Awakening joy ecstatic in the breast—

More sweet than earthly number ever tell;

Not Orpheus' lute, Cecilia's choral swell

No human voice or lyre on earth e'er found.

Could pour such thrilling symphonies around—

No song bird could it be that soared above,

Nay, 'twas a Scaph breathing songs of love

Spelt out in they deemed, they listened but a day.

But found within that years had passed away;

Even so eternal life will glide along,

Ten thousand years of rapture in a song

Of love and glory chanted by the best

Who in the beatific vision rest;

One moment there supernal joy to know

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JURED IN CRASH WHEN THE CAR  
SKIDDED

TRAINS IN COLLISION—VICTIMS  
WERE PASSENGERS ON ONLY  
WOODEN CAR ON TRAIN

To chant the glory of the Savior's birth  
And through the gloomy veil of Orient night  
They shed upon the hills a flood of light.  
The shepherds cover by their flocks in fear  
Until thoughtful strains o'erhead they hear  
"Glory in Excelsis Deo!" sing.  
The angels who the joyous tidings bring  
That on that ever glorious Christmas morn  
At Bethlehem the Child Divine is born;  
The angels watching sing out a star  
Upon the brow of night that from afar  
Will lead the Magi to that lonely cave  
Where lies the Babe destined mankind to save.

Then Hail! the miracle of mercy wrought  
All half the Savior through long ages sought!  
Let peals grand resound o'er all the earth,  
And wake the world to the Redeemer's birth.  
He comes with hope and love and faith to fire  
The souls of men, and make their main desire  
To love and serve their God, obey His law.  
And to his kingdom erring millions draw.  
He found a living church to bear on high  
His light divine, to teach, to sanctify;  
Thus on and on, from age to age, until  
A chastened world shall do His holy will.

Like demons though the powers of evil fight,  
They but prolong the triumph of the right,  
The coming of the blessed era when  
Will Christian virtue rule the earth,  
Oh! then shall wickedness and war cease,  
And nations live in union, love and peace."

OLD TIMER.

**FIGHT TO A FINISH**

**RUSSIA DETERMINED TO CARRY WAR TO A SUCCESSFUL ISSUE**

**LONDON, Dec. 24.—The Petrograd** correspondent of Reuter's Telegram company, writing under date of Thurs-  
day says:

"To a full sitting of the budget committee of the duma today, Minister of Foreign Affairs Sazonoff made a long statement on the political situation in the course of which he said that the relations with Greece following the entente alliance, fortification of Saloniki, the project of a Balkan confederation, 'Prof. Milenkoff put not a question about peace rumors, to which M. Sazonoff replied that they had no foundation, and he reaffirmed the unshakable determination of the Russian government to carry the war to a successful issue."

**MEMPHIS, Tenn., Dec. 24.—**Upwards of \$36,000 damage was done last night when about 300 feet of the steel "false work" of the Harahan railroad and wagon bridge which is to span the Mississippi here, was swept away by the heavy current caused by a rapid rise in the river. No one was injured.

Completion of the bridge, which it was expected would be finished next summer at a cost of approximately \$50,000, will be delayed about seven months.

**HOLD PARCELS FROM ENGLAND**

**BERLIN, Dec. 24 (By wireless to Sayville)—**Advices from Stockholm report that, in pursuance of the Swedish government's decision to hold up parcel post packages passing through Sweden for shipment by British authorities from steamship to packages from England for Russia are now being held at Gothenburg. At Haparanda, it is said, 2500 packages are being detained.

**GIFT OF \$2,000,000**

**MRS. DEL DRAGO OF NEW YORK MAKES PRESENT TO QUEEN OF ITALY FOR SOLDIERS' FAMILIES**

**ROME, Dec. 24.—**The Stefani News Agency says that Mrs. Josephine Del Drago of New York has offered \$2,000-00 to the queen of Italy as a Christmas gift for distribution among the families of combatants and that the queen has accepted the proffer with profound thanks.

**Mrs. Josephine Del Drago inherited from her husband, August Schmid of New York, a large estate; Mr. Schmid was a prosperous brewer and Mrs. Del Drago is now president of the big brewery company of which her husband was the head when he died in 1892.**

**DRUNKENNESS IN PORTLAND**

"Hoppers" Appear to Be Doing Big Business Since Saloons Were Closed

**PORTLAND, Me., Dec. 24.—**The "lid" is still on and all saloons are closed, but apparently the pocket pedlers came out in force as there were many instances of drunkenness yesterday. When the selling of beer was stopped by order of Chief Bowen many turned to stronger liquors.

There is still a lack of avowed personal and official responsibility, and it is all a matter of guesswork how long the present enforcement will last.

**JOHN A. LOWELL DEAD**

**NEWTON HIGHLANDS, Dec. 24.—**John Adams Lowell, president of the John A. Lowell Banknote company of Boston, died at his late residence, 37 Erie avenue yesterday, after an illness of several months. The funeral services will be held at the Lowell residence, Sunday, Dec. 26, at 2 p. m., the body later being taken to Portland, Me., for interment.

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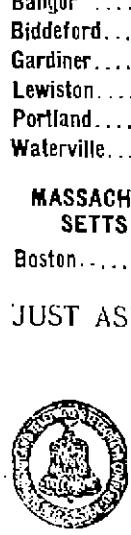
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Lewiston.....70	Gardner.....30	Worcester.....25	
Portland.....55	Holyoke.....45		
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		WALNUTS, lb.	17c
		XMAS CANDLES	8c

PAID \$100,000 NORMAN PRINCE HOME HIS 38TH ANNIVERSARY

BOSTON AVIATOR RETURNS HOME WITH FRENCH BRAVERY MEDAL FOR SUCCESS IN 20 AIR RAIDS

EDMUND S. DESMARAIIS FETED ON OCCASION BY CENTRALVILLE SOCIAL CLUB

On the occasion of his 38th birthday anniversary, Edmond S. Desmarais, the well known plumber, was last night honored here yesterday on the German lines, reached here yesterday on the Holland-American liner Rotterdam for an eight days' furlough with his relatives.

He was deeply stirred by the recent report of his death at the hands of German airmen, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frederic H. Prince of Princeton, Hamilton, gave him an affectionate greeting at the pier, while his younger brother, Frederic, could not wait for the steamer to come in, met him at quarantine, going down in the United States coast guard cutter Cable.

It was the first time that they had seen him since he sailed away last March to join the French aviation corps as a second class soldier. He returned yesterday a sergeant of the corps, with the military medal and the war cross of France, to tell the story of his brilliant fight for a country other than his own.

Despite the fact that he has been mentioned in numerous despatches from the front for distinguished bravery, the story of his gallant fight among them being L. N. Gohault, J. W. Vadeboncoeur, W. P. Caisse, Dr. George E. Caisse, A. Paquette, A. Desrosiers, J. Beauparlant, Omer Desrael, and others, those responsible for the success of the evening were Alphonse Paquette, C. E. Bourret and E. A. Desrael.

SEAMEN FIGHT FIRE

NEWPORT, R. I., Dec. 24.—The apprentice seamen at the naval training station were called out early today to fight a fire in a building formerly used as a hospital but recently serving as naval Young Men's Christian association rooms. They succeeded in preventing a spread of the flames to other buildings. The old wooden structure was practically destroyed, but the monetary loss is small.

BATTLEFRONTS IN SERBIA

PARIS, Dec. 24.—The battlefronts of both sides in the conflict in the Serbian theatre of war are given in a sketch from the Echo du Paris.

The correspondents state that 60,000 Germans are massed around Monastir, with the Bulgars concentrated in the center of the Vardar valley and two Turkish divisions taking a position on the left of the Bulgars. The French are ranged in a semi-circle around Salonic with their left in the Vardar, facing the Greek frontier near Doiran, and their right connecting with Chafedje.

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## SUN &amp; REAL ESTATE &amp; BUILDERS' PAGE

## REAL ESTATE MATTERS

Building Operations Rather Dull  
Transactions Recorded for  
the Week—Sales Reported

Building operations in Lowell at the present time are rather quiet owing to weather conditions but there is considerable work being done on the inside and many alterations are also being made. Very little new work is going on, but indications at the present time are that although more buildings were erected in this city during the year 1915 than any other year there will be a big increase in this line of work next year, that is as soon as the weather permits.

Hundreds of houses, blocks, two and three apartment houses and bungalows have been constructed during the year, the upbuilding of the suburban districts being quite noticeable. There has been a general tendency during the past year for families to move to the suburbs and while many people have by frugality purchased houses of their own others have caused to be erected two apartment houses, occupying one apartment themselves and letting the other.

There have also been many houses erected for investment in the outlying districts all of which are a credit to the city.

**Memorial Building**  
The Memorial building has been enclosed and the slate work with the exception of a little on the front of the building has been laid. Although there has been some criticism about the slowness of the work on the remodelling of this building the different contractors have had to work under difficulties and this made the work necessarily slow. With the roof on the building and the interior protected from the elements the interior work can go on ahead with no matter how stormy the weather.

**Permit Granted**  
There was but one permit granted at the office of the lands and buildings department this week, and that was for an alteration to the house of Elizabeth and William T. Couson at 115 B street. This building is to be changed over from a single to a two family house.

Up to the time of going to press today 729 permits to build and make alterations have been granted by the offices of the lands and buildings department during the year 1915, this being the largest in the history of the city. The improvement of old buildings throughout the city during the year has been remarkable. Even in the business section stores have been changed over, new fronts having been put in and various alterations made. Many single houses have been changed into double or two apartment dwellings and steam heat and up-to-date plumbing has been installed. Property owners are beginning to realize that the improvement of property and slight increase in rents is more profitable than allowing the property to depreciate.

**Mr. Nelson's Property**

F. E. Nelson, proprietor of what is known as "Nelson's Five & Ten Cent Store" in Central street, this city, and similar stores in Nashua and Manchester, is anxious to purchase the Howard block in Nashua, N. H., owned by Hon. J. W. Howard. This building is located on Main street and is considered

## U. S. NAVY BOARD'S PLAN

## SEC. DANIELS CONSIDERS MAKING POLICY PUBLIC BEFORE CONGRESSIONAL COM. HEARINGS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—The full text of the report of the navy general board urging that the United States navy be placed on an equality with the strongest afloat by 1925 probably will be made public by Secretary Daniels before congressional committee hearings begin on the administration's navy plans.

Mr. Daniels said tonight he was giving the matter serious thought as a result of statements made by various members of congress that they would seek its publication and also because this report was mentioned in the letter of resignation from Henry A. Wood of New York, severing his connections with the recently organized civilian advisory board.

Sec. Daniels will acknowledge Mr. Wood's resignation and ask the American Society of Aeronautical Engineers, which selected him for membership on the advisory board, to name his successor.

The general board's policy apparently contemplates a two-power standard for the American navy in declaring it should equal "the most powerful maintained by any other nation in the world," not later than 1925.

The British navy, so far in advance of that of any other power in strength, is maintained upon a policy that it shall at all times equal the navies of any two other powers, although tacitly, at least, the American navy has been excluded from that calculation in the past.

While naval officials are unwilling to discuss the board's statement of policy in advance of its publication, it is indicated that the possibility that the United States might be called upon to meet enemies in both the Atlantic and Pacific oceans simultaneously was considered in reaching a conclusion.

The first year's building alone, under the program, it is reported, would equal the entire five-year administration program in cost, approaching \$500,000,000.

## 30 INJURED IN CRASH

## ELECTRIC CAR RAN WILD AFTER MOTORMAN HAD BEEN THROWN ON CURVE

SYRACUSE, N. Y., Dec. 24.—Thirty persons were injured, some probably fatally, when an interurban car, running wild after the motorman had been thrown, left the rails and crashed into a tree with terrific force yesterday. About 100 passengers were aboard the car.

The car was Syracuse-bound from Spofford and most of those aboard were workmen. As it turned a sharp curve on a down grade, the motorman fell from the vestibule. The car, with power turned on, gained great headway and as it reached another curve two blocks distant it jumped the tracks.

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## PEACE QUESTION

European Socialists Collectively Have Taken Up Discussion

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 24, via London, 1:33 a. m.—A number of prominent socialists from all the belligerent countries except Italy, met last Wednesday at The Hague, to discuss steps which might be taken to help bring about a speedy peace, according to the Telegram.

The newspaper says that the meeting was held at the offices of the international socialist bureau. The discussions were of a very provisional character, it adds. The 12 Feb. delegates of the international bureau had the proceedings under their direction.

## MURDER ON HIGH SEAS

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Dec. 24.—Eight men, the entire crew of the American schooner Mark Pendleton, were arrested on the vessel's arrival here yesterday on charges growing out of the killing of Thomas Brown, a member of the crew, on the high seas. They will be held pending investigation.

The Mark Pendleton left St. Michael, the Azores, Nov. 1. Several days later the American consul at that place notified the department of Justice of Brown's death, and the marshal here was instructed to arrest the crew.

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## AMUSEMENT NOTES

## B. F. KEITH'S THEATRE

When Rusty, the never-well dog at the B. F. Keith's theatre this week, blanks himself down on a barrel and sits there, he does it with all of the satisfaction which a man would show. Rusty, in fact, impersonates the kind of man who doesn't like work, and who does like something else, and he comes to great grief just at the close of the act. This dog is without doubt the most perfectly trained one on the stage today. For companions, however, there are several others which have been taught to do very funny things. It should be stated that during the 15 minutes the dogs are in view no person appears. They carry on the little act.

On Sunday afternoon and night, the Opera House will present a ringing good program of vaudeville and picture features with five big acts and a series of photoplay subjects, including the latest releases in both comedies and dramatics. There will be the usual two performances, the matinee starting at 2:15 o'clock, while the evening performance will start at 7:30, and as many as two turned away on Sunday evening. The best play is to attend the matinee. The "Silent" pantomime, in a novelty musical offering, is one of the biggest hits in recent years, and an act which will be a treat for Lowell audiences. Joe Hardman, "the King of comedians," has a bundle of new songs and gags which open the floodgates of laughter. Hoey and Bell, in the newest song hits, sprinkled with a bright line of dialogue, is another act that is certain to be on the winning side for appeal. Ruth Goodwin, the "Singing Nightingale," and Dyes and Marshall, in songs and chat, complete the program. It is one of the finest offered in Lowell in years, with every act a top-notch and every picture a feature and the packed houses will talk about this show for weeks to come.

All next week, starting with a special bon-bon matinee on Monday, the Emerson Players will present the most popular plays of the current collection of "Sunnybrook Farm" and "Miss O'Day," the popular leading lady of the Emerson Players, who has been away for the past two weeks, will make her reappearance in the title role. "Rebecca" has been secured for one week only by special arrangement with Kate Douglas Wiggin and Charlotte Thompson, the authors, and already there is a big demand for seats for the attraction. Of particular interest is the fact that this play was originally produced in Lowell at topnotch prices, and is one of the first cities in the country that the play is

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## OPERA HOUSE

Tonight and tomorrow (Christmas day) are the last chances for the theatregoers of this city to see "The Big Idea," the great Colton and Harris masterpiece which is making such a tremendous hit and which has been in big houses all the week. Features are available to see this performance today, and as many who can attend the matinee performance.

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A wonderful production of "Rebecca" will be given with the rainstorm, the barn dance, the old stage coach and all the original features prominently shown. For the past ten days the entire stage crew and the scenic department have been busy at work on the production and the scenes of life offering ever attempted in Lowell will be given. It is wise to order seats early and avoid the rush.

MERRIMACK SQUINT THEATRE

Big, jolly Maclyn Arbuckle appeared in his most delightful role at the Merrimack Square theatre yesterday afternoon and evening at all the performances and gave a characteristically tumultuous impersonation of the popular master of the big screen. "Rebecca" is the high point of the week.

"The Reform Candidate" is the title of this absorbing story which Mr. Arbuckle vitalizes with his stellar acting. This play will be shown today and tomorrow at all the performances given at the Merrimack Square theatre. In addition will be shown a screaming comedy, entitled "Kidnapping the King's Kid," a two-act farce drama at Nestor's.

Don't miss these pictures. "Rebecca" will be presented at the children's performance tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock at the Merrimack Square theatre.

THE JEWELS AND WHITE WAYS

Going up and down for the third time, the Jewels and White Ways are the former team having the pole at the present time. Three teams are tied for fifth place and the Kitteredges are still holding on to the bottom rung of the ladder.

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## CITY LEAGUE STANDING

The Kimball System and Crescents are still tied for first place in the city bowling league, the rapid stride of the former team being accountable for the tie. During the early part of the season the painters failed to get into the stride but later picked up and since then all the other teams have had to look up and take notice. The Crescents, however, have been traveling along fast and the contest between the two teams for first place is an interesting one. With Martel being the dependent bowler on the System team Jewett is the high roller on the Crescents.

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Kimball System ..... 30 14 16,565  
Crescents ..... 25 15 16,558  
Jewels ..... 25 15 16,521  
White Ways ..... 20 15 16,512  
Carter ..... 17 27 16,491  
Bridge Sis ..... 17 27 16,490  
Brunswicks ..... 16 25 16,493  
Kitteredges ..... 16 25 16,498

## INDIVIDUAL AVERAGES

Martel 111.2, Kempton 107.2, Hall 105.4, Kimball 104.1, Johnson 104.1, Cuthie 104.1, Dwyer 103.5, McLean 103.2, O'Day 102.18, Dickey 102.17, Flanders 102.7, Cole 102.6, Dooley 102.5, Jordon 102.5, Concaire 102.4, Farrell 102.1, Dwyer 101.32, Perrin 101.1, Singleton 101.1, McQuade 101, Kitteredge 100.5, Walsh 99.5, Johnson 99.25, Lane 99.4, McElroy 98.5, Myrick 98.25, Donohoe 98.1, Bright 98.24, Jewett 97.25, Averett 97.7, Moore 97.11, Whipple 96.21, Parrows 96.23, McNeil 95.16, Pantan 94.8, Wynne 93.20.

## QUIET ON THE ALLEYS

There were two games played in the Carr league last night, but neither of them was productive of high scores. The competition between the Carrs and Congress was keen as ever, each team getting two points. Buckley of the Wameuses was high man with a triple of 308. Markham's quintet had an easy thing with McGlinchey's aggregation, taking all four points.

In the Crescent league the Cabinets took three points from the Come Backs. The scores:

## CARR'S LEAGUE

Wameuses

	1	2	3	Tls
Smith	11	12	13	36
D. Lynch	9	8	8	25
Matthews	10	9	9	28
J. Lynch	9	8	9	26
Buckley	9	10	10	30
Totals	175	142	147	464

## CARR'S LEAGUE

Congress

	1	2	3	Tls
Rourke	74	74	72	220
Snow	95	83	85	263
Clancy	103	93	92	290
O'Connell	90	93	91	274
Burns	102	93	91	275

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## CHRISTMAS, 1916

Children measure their years from Christmas to Christmas; they look forward to each successive holiday with eagerness and expectation and when it has gone they think with a great sinking of the heart that it will not come back again until the snows of the season have given way to spring, and summer and autumn, and the snows of another year. It is a long, long time to the heart of childhood; it is all too short to the heart that has put away childish things—but are we not all children at Christmas?

They who are not children at Christmas are to be pitied. For them there is no witchery in the wreaths of holly or the mystic mistletoe. Santa Claus will bring no gifts of Union to men who doubt his existence and they who refuse to become as little children shall miss the sacred exaltation of spirit that comes from contemplation of the group at Bethlehem. Luckily, these are the few; for the great majority, Christmas is a time of love, and holiness and happiness, and we know from the poets that the good are always the happy.

Christmas time is a happy time, and why should not America be happy tonight and tomorrow? The glory of the season is on the land and joy is in the hearts of the people. The hills have given their trees to make the children rejoice, and peace and plenty have showered their blessings on city and farm and hamlet. The green and red tokens of the time have been hung in the windows, the stores have given of their gifts of love and friendship, and tonight there will be millions of fluttering expectant hearts in thousands of happy homes. The little stockings hang by the fireplace, the ladder is full of good things for the table and the Christmas spirit falls from the sky like the snow that brings God's message of peace to His people. In the churches the little cribs have been set out as they have been down the centuries and tomorrow the great organs will swell out exultantly and the voices of the singers will join in the song "Peace on earth to men of good will."

Christmas has been the greatest inspiration of the world since the night over nineteen hundred years ago when Christ was born in Bethlehem and when the shepherds saw the great light on the hills. It has been the source of the most beautiful national customs. It has thrilled painter and poet and composer and its story is the brightest star in the darkness of time. In the romantic medieval days when art and beauty were the handmaids of religion, it gave the world its greatest cathedrals and pictures and statues. Over and over again the dreamers gave their conception of the group of Bethlehem with Joseph and Mary bowed in wonderment and reverence over a little babe in a manger. The story of Christmas is a wonderful story that has lost nothing in the passing of the years. It is a story of joy and blessedness and hope.

Today the angels sing again their song of peace, but there is no peace on earth. In other lands many homes are desolate and the thoughts of millions of fighting men travel from the trenches to homes in France and Germany and England and the other warring nations. Men that Christ was born to save are destroying each other with brutal ferocity and the light of the angels shows scenes that should not be. Children surround desolate mothers in saddened homes and the gifts that were meant for the Christmas tree have been sent to the battle-fields. Many homes that once sheltered holiday groups are blackened ruins and the rulers pray to Odin and Thor instead of the child of the city of David.

Still, Christmas time is a time of hope. When Christ was born the world was a great deal like the world of today. Nations ruled by might and men had run riot in lust for power and conquest. Not long before the teachings and the influence of Christ had changed the face of the earth and love and human brotherhood became the ideals of mankind. Is it too much to hope that the like shall happen again—that soon the spirit of Christ shall quell the mad passions of men and that a resurrected world shall bow in sorrow and hope before the manger? May it be so! In this great land of peace and plenty and Christmas cheer let us hope and pray that when Christmas comes again the whole world shall enjoy its beauty and happiness as we enjoy them today. Soon may the song of the angels be heard above the exhortations of the kaisers and the kings, the sultans and the czars and may the message "Peace on earth" drown out the booms of the cannon!

## TO ANNEX DRACUT

The movement for a stadium at First street on the Centralville bank of the Merrimack river and the consequent development of the land along the river bank, including a new highway to Indian Orchard, revives interest in the proposition for the annexation of Dracut. If Lowell is to grow

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preparedness? Not likely. If our policy is to be one of matching the largest navy, the other nations will keep us going, and as a result the militarism of the just half century will not be a circumstance to the militarism to come. For the present, America ought to be satisfied with an army and navy for defense, but these should be efficient enough and large enough to protect the country from any possible foe from without.

DESERVED PENSIONS  
The newspapers are so filled with agitations and news of requests for undeserved pensions that the granting of a pension in worthy cases stands out in grateful contrast. Such an instance was reported in the Boston papers yesterday in the case of the widows of the two brave foremen who lost their lives in the performance of their duty last Wednesday. A bill has been filed in the legislature to pay the wives of the dead firemen an annuity of \$300 each—and it deserves to pass. If the state and the various cities cut out the unnecessary and unearned pensions, and shut down on nervy applicants for the future, there would be money in abundance to pay to those who are entitled to pensions. Of such are the wives and dependent families of public servants who have given up their lives in the service of the people. There should be pensions for the heroes of peace as well as for the heroes of war.

## GIRL CALLED "CHICKEN"

MISS PAUL HAD HER FORMER STEADY ARRESTED—DEFENSE QUOTED ENGLISH CLASSIC

NASHUA, N. H., Dec. 24.—Ex-Alderman Thomas F. Moran quoted classic literature in district court yesterday morning to back up his contention that it is not derogatory to call a woman a chicken. Had his client, Charles Dubuque, referred to the complainant, Sara Paul, as an "old hen" or a "buzzard" the case might be different, he admitted. From the dictionary the lawyer quoted Dean Swift's reference to Stella being no chicken as meaning that she was no longer youthful.

Miss Paul had Dubuque arrested on a derivative language charge. She testified that some days ago she received through the mail a package which contained chicken's head. Wednesday evening as she and a Miss Nadeau were passing along Pier street, Dubuque, who was with Miss Clair Nadeau, remarked "the chickens are out tonight." She said she had been Dubuque's "steady" for some time.

Miss Nadeau testified that she was now keeping company with Dubuque and a short time ago received a letter from four pages threatening her life if she did not quit him.

Dubuque recited that while he might have said "chickens" he did not intend the words for the complainant and her companion. He denied that he sent the chicken's head. Miss Paul denied she sent the letter to Miss Nadeau.

Judge Frank B. Clancy discharged Dubuque.

## CHRISTMAS EVE AT ASSOCIATE

Associate hall will be the scene of merriment and levity this evening when the throngs of pleasure seekers will gather to attend the concert and dance which will be given by the Hotel Club. This entertainment is one of the principal ones of the evening and it is expected that large crowds will attend. If you are in search of good solid entertainment this evening for either yourself or friends come to Associate Hall. The pleasure concert will be followed by a dance, the music for which will be furnished by Miser's Merry Musicians. The admission is 25 cents. Come one—come all.

## KINDS OF RHEUMATISM

In popular language the word rheumatism is a term that covers a multitude of ills of which pain is the chief symptom.

Articular rheumatism, inflammatory rheumatism, and rheumatic fever are all names for the same disease. Muscular rheumatism affects the muscles and does not spread from one spot to another. Inflammatory rheumatism, lumbago is a form of muscular rheumatism. Some people have rheumatism every winter especially those people who inherit a rheumatic tendency. They will continue to have recurring attacks until the blood is built up to a strength sufficient to overcome the rheumatic poison. External applications and drugs that simply relieve the pain are useless. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills build up the blood and really correct the trouble.

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That Fred's goat story brought down the house.

That many trains of thought carry no freight.

That nobody loves the girl with the painted face.

That to have done well obligates us to do so still.

That green Christmas maketh the undertakers smile.

That the colonel put one over at Tuesday's meeting.

That some kinds of cheese are seen and some are heard.

That Francis M. Qua put over a surprise with a big S.

That the postoffice employes have earned their holiday.

That Charlie Morse can discuss art with the best of 'em.

That you ought not to neglect hearing the Christmas music.

That as usual Father will get a kickie for Christmas.

That Lowell people traded at home and did well by doing it.

That the slaughter of the Turks was big during the past week.

That New Year's eve will be celebrated by many local clubs.

That the only fellow who has any money left is the tightwad.

That the jokes about the Ford cars are getting to be chestnuts.

That when Barnum says "two feet and a half" everybody moves.

That the cop's hall will be one of the first socials of the new year.

That the consulting architect seems inclined to be very reasonable.

That the Yuletide season brings little cheer to the lodge or sorrow.

That the license commissioners is sought by numerous candidates.

That the downtown merchants did a rushing business this week.

That if you have a dollar left over you haven't done your full duty.

That the storekeepers are well satisfied with the Christmas business.

That the coming banquet of the board of trade will be some event.

That the book of marriage intentions at city hall is an interesting volume.

That Commissioner Carmichael knows what a "double cross" means.

That yesterday's rain put a kink in the plans of the boy with a new sled. That Lowell has too many real plans ahead to waste time in foolish once.

That the high school boys will root to man for a stadium at First street.

That many people are beginning to make good resolutions for the year 1916.

That the average pocketbook is rather flat after the Christmas shopping.

That if a man's head is full of aches it is usually empty of anything else.

That very often the woman who looks self-possessed belongs to some man.

That the careless waitress still continues to pick her teeth with the menu card.

That in attempting to make money one is likely to succeed in making enemies.

That one little boy thought Santa Claus had a wife named Mary Christmas.

That there will be something doing at the Lafayette club on New Year's eve.

That the woman who wore summer furs doesn't quite know what to wear now.

That a wholesale presentation of gold watches took place in James street this week.

That the best giver is the giver who gives, knowing that there will be no return.

That John Duff's friends are glad to note the daily improvement in his health.

That 'tis a pity we can't have Christmas trees without denuding the forests.

That the little James sisters found Sarge Perris an amiable traveling companion.

That many a man makes a profession of entertaining in order to be entertained.

That to hear of a Lowell cop being kidnapped wouldn't be very much of a surprise.

That the turkey is just as good as at Thanksgiving, but it does not taste the same.

That Lieut. Louis St. Jean will make an ideal preceding officer for the C.M.A.C.

That the Lowell basketball team will

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## POPE PEACE MEDIATOR

Cardinal Says Pontiff Post Entitles Him to Act for Good of Humanity

ROME, Dec. 24.—In his address to Pope Benedict today on the occasion of the reception by the pontiff of the Sacred college which visited him to extend Christmas greetings, Cardinal Vannutelli said that no better time than Christmas could be chosen to speak of peace in a year in which there had been so much sorrow and bloodshed. The cardinal declared that the pope is the fittest to take the lead in restoring peace, right and justice, having no interest of his own to further.

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## CAMPAGN EXPENSE ACCOUNTS FILED—KENNY AND ATTRIDGE BELOW \$100 LIMIT

BOSTON, Dec. 24.—According to a statement filed yesterday with the city clerk, James J. Storrow expended in the recent municipal campaign a total of \$78.03.

The statement is an itemized one for each day, the items being messengers, hotel room, telephone, carfares, newspapers, meals, taxicabs, envelopes, carbo papers, etc.

On Dec. 3 he spent \$6.10; Dec. 4, \$5.74;

Dec. 6, \$1.40; Dec. 7, \$5.45; Dec. 8, \$4.55;

Dec. 9, \$4.33; Dec. 10, \$5.76; Dec. 11,

\$5.70; Dec. 12, \$11.50; Dec. 13, \$6.75;

Dec. 14, election day, \$1.40.

From Nov. 10 to Dec. 14, inclusive, his miscellaneous pocket expenses amounted to \$15, making the grand total of \$73.03.

The four Good Government candidates gave out a statement early in the campaign that neither would go over \$100.

Thomas J. Kenny, according to his sworn statement, expended \$10, of which \$10 was for advertising. John J. Attridge spent \$65.20, of which \$8.50 was for stamped envelopes.

James A. Watson expended a total of \$32.25.

The other candidates for the city council have not yet filed statements of expense accounts.

For the school committee, Frances C. Curtis spent, from Dec. 6 to Dec. 11, 60 cents for carfares. Christina D. Page spent 10 cents for carfares and failed to get a place on the ballot. Dr. Herbert J. Keenan, the democratic candidate, spent nothing and received the same.

## SOCIAL AND FRATERNAL

Several applications for membership were received and a number of candidates initiated at the regular meeting of Highland council, Royal Arcanum, held last evening in Highland hall with Regent McKeon in the chair. Arrangements were made for the inter-council whist tournament which will start on Jan. 6 at Lowell's council. At the close of the meeting a whist party was held, John McVay and John Eldridge winning first and second prize respectively.

## DORCAS TEMPLE

An old fashioned box party and entertainment followed the regular meeting of Dorcas Temple, 13, Pythian Sisters, held last evening. The entertainment consisted of: Songs, Master Daniel Martin; Miss Gibbons, reader; piano solo, Master Douglas Walker; and Miss Grace Farley. The last number on the program was a recitation, "Grandma," by Miss Genevieve Young, four years of age. The affair was in charge of the officers and de-gree staff.

## CLAN GRANT, O.S.C.

At the meeting of Clan Grant, 141, O.S.C., held in Grafton hall, with Chief William McHorie presiding, the committee in charge of the arrangements for the celebration of the Robert Burns anniversary reported that a splendid program had been arranged. One application for membership was received and five candidates were initiated. Past Chief Thomas Thin of Clan Johnston of Andover has been appointed deputy and will install the officers of Clan Grant at the next meeting.

## JAMES A. GARFIELD POST

The regular meeting of James A. Garfield Post 120, G.A.R., was held with a large attendance. F. B. Flanigan presided. Reports of various committees were read and referred. It was voted to give B. F. Butler Post 42 and the B. F. Butler Ladies Relief Corps, 75, the use of the hall for their installation services. Plans were made for the installation exercises which will be held in January. There were remarks for the good of the order by several comrades. The next regular meeting of the post will be held on the fourth Wednesday in January, 1916, and all the comrades are most cordially invited to be present.

## "HELLO, 'FRISCO!"

WORCESTER, Dec. 24.—Worcester was in telephone communication with San Francisco for more than two hours last night in connection with a meeting of the Worcester plant chapter of the New England Telephone.

One hundred and fifty instruments from Horticultural exchange were in commission. Pres. P. L. Spalding, Vice Pres. E. K. Hall and other officials of the company and Mayor Wright were guests.

Major Wright, Joseph H. Lane of the chamber of commerce, Pres. B. B. Snow of the Rotary club, Rev. Dr. J. N. Dinand, president of Holy Cross college; Jong Long Shee, Worcester's Chinese citizen, and others talked with San Francisco officials.

The girls of the Worcester exchange sang "Hello, 'Frisco" over the wire and an orchestra in that city played "The Star Spangled Banner" as the Worcester audience stood and listened.

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## STORROW SPENT \$78.03

CAMPAIGN EXPENSE ACCOUNTS FILED—KENNY AND ATTRIDGE BELOW \$100 LIMIT

BOSTON, Dec. 24.—According to a statement filed yesterday with the city clerk, James J. Storrow expended in the recent municipal campaign a total of \$78.03.

The statement is an itemized one for each day, the items being messengers, hotel room, telephone, carfares, newspapers, meals, taxicabs, envelopes, carbo papers, etc.

On Dec. 3 he spent \$6.10; Dec. 4, \$5.74;

Dec. 6, \$1.40; Dec. 7, \$5.45; Dec. 8, \$4.55;

Dec. 9, \$4.33; Dec. 10, \$5.76; Dec. 11,

\$5.70; Dec. 12, \$11.50; Dec. 13, \$6.75;

Dec. 14, election day, \$1.40.

From Nov. 10 to Dec. 14, inclusive, his miscellaneous pocket expenses amounted to \$15, making the grand total of \$73.03.

The four Good Government candidates gave out a statement early in the campaign that neither would go over \$100.

Thomas J. Kenny, according to his sworn statement, expended \$10, of which \$10 was for advertising. John J. Attridge spent \$65.20, of which \$8.50 was for stamped envelopes.

James A. Watson expended a total of \$32.25.

The other candidates for the city council have not yet filed statements of expense accounts.

For the school committee, Frances C. Curtis spent, from Dec. 6 to Dec. 11, 60 cents for carfares. Christina D. Page spent 10 cents for carfares and failed to get a place on the ballot. Dr. Herbert J. Keenan, the democratic candidate, spent nothing and received the same.

## SOCIAL AND FRATERNAL

Several applications for membership were received and a number of candidates initiated at the regular meeting of Highland council, Royal Arcanum, held last evening in Highland hall with Regent McKeon in the chair. Arrangements were made for the inter-council whist tournament which will start on Jan. 6 at Lowell's council. At the close of the meeting a whist party was held, John McVay and John Eldridge winning first and second prize respectively.

## DORCAS TEMPLE

An old fashioned box party and entertainment followed the regular meeting of Dorcas Temple, 13, Pythian Sisters, held last evening. The entertainment consisted of: Songs, Master Daniel Martin; Miss Gibbons, reader; piano solo, Master Douglas Walker; and Miss Grace Farley. The last number on the program was a recitation, "Grandma," by Miss Genevieve Young, four years of age. The affair was in charge of the officers and de-gree staff.

## CLAN GRANT, O.S.C.

At the meeting of Clan Grant, 141, O.S.C., held in Grafton hall, with Chief William McHorie presiding, the committee in charge of the arrangements for the celebration of the Robert Burns anniversary reported that a splendid program had been arranged. One application for membership was received and five candidates were initiated. Past Chief Thomas Thin of Clan Johnston of Andover has been appointed deputy and will install the officers of Clan Grant at the next meeting.

## JAMES A. GARFIELD POST

The regular meeting of James A. Garfield Post 120, G.A.R., was held with a large attendance. F. B. Flanigan presided. Reports of various committees were read and referred. It was voted to give B. F. Butler Post 42 and the B. F. Butler Ladies Relief Corps, 75, the use of the hall for their installation services. Plans were made for the installation exercises which will be held in January. There were remarks for the good of the order by several comrades. The next regular meeting of the post will be held on the fourth Wednesday in January, 1916, and all the comrades are most cordially invited to be present.

## "HELLO, 'FRISCO!"

WORCESTER, Dec. 24.—Worcester was in telephone communication with San Francisco for more than two hours last night in connection with a meeting of the Worcester plant chapter of the New England Telephone.

One hundred and fifty instruments from Horticultural exchange were in commission. Pres. P. L. Spalding, Vice Pres. E. K. Hall and other officials of the company and Mayor Wright were guests.

Major Wright, Joseph H. Lane of the chamber of commerce, Pres. B. B. Snow of the Rotary club, Rev. Dr. J. N. Dinand, president of Holy Cross college; Jong Long Shee, Worcester's Chinese citizen, and others talked with San Francisco officials.

The girls of the Worcester exchange sang "Hello, 'Frisco" over the wire and an orchestra in that city played "The Star Spangled Banner" as the Worcester audience stood and listened.

## S. B. WHITING IS DEAD

## CALUMET &amp; HECLA GENERAL MANAGER IS YEARS CONNECTED WITH MANY ENTERPRISES

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—Railroads operating between the Mississippi and Missouri rivers and the Rocky mountains were granted increases in freight rates by the Interstate commerce commission yesterday on many commodities, including agricultural implements, canned goods and boots and shoes.

No estimate of the additional revenue the roads will derive from the advances is contained in the commission's report on the case, but it will mount into the hundreds of thousands annually, despite the fact that numerous increases sought were denied.

Although there is still pending before the commission proposed increases on a few other commodities, the general campaign of the western roads to obtain higher rates on the more important commodities virtually is at an end.

Both the case decided yesterday and the one still pending are related to the so-called western advance rate case.

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From Yesterday's Late Edition

## SENTENCES COMMUTED

MEN IMPLICATED IN CHICAGO POLICE GRAFT INQUIRY PAR-  
DONED

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Dec. 23.—The sentences of Christian Paul (Barney) Bertchko and Charles P. Crane, alias James Ryan, whose testimony played a prominent part in the recent Chicago police graft investigation were commuted today by Gov. Dunne, acting on the recommendation of the state board of pardons.

Testimony by Bertchko corroborated by Ryan that Bertchko had been between the bribing of police to protect clairvoyant swindlers resulted in the conviction of John J. Haplin, former chief of detectives of Chicago.

## LARGEST IN HISTORY

INCREASE OF \$1,060,346 IN EARN-  
INGS OF SOUTHERN RY. CO. IN  
MONTH

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—The enormous increase of \$1,060,346 in net earnings reported today by the Southern Railway Co. for the month of November is the largest gain for any one month in the company's history.

CARMANZA SUSPENDS DECREE  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—Facing official foreign protest, Gen. Carranza has temporarily suspended his decree requiring banks in Mexico City to redeem their notes in gold, according to advice received today by the state department. The suspension is effective until Carranza reaches Queretaro, an indefinite date.

The ultimate establishment of a central bank authorized to issue currency patterned somewhat after the ideas of the Aldrich commission is what Carranza is believed to contemplate.

SEVERE EARTHQUAKES  
GUATEMALA CITY, Guatemala, Dec. 23.—There have been 20 severe earthquakes in Guatemala in the last few days. No serious damage has been reported.TRAIN WRECKER JAILED  
MIDDLETOWN, Conn., Dec. 23.—Sebastian Lagana pleaded guilty in the superior court today to complicity in the wrecking of a New York, New Haven & Hartford passenger train at Middletown in August, 1911, and was sentenced to from one to two years in state prison.

In the wreck some 50 persons were injured, one fatally.

A miscellaneous shower was tendered Miss K. Bushnell at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. McSorley, 332 Wentworth avenue. She was the recipient of many beautiful and costly gifts. A musical program was enjoyed during the evening. It included piano solos by Florence Conley, Helen McGowan and Marion Ryan; violin solos by Madeline Sullivan, and vocal selections by Mrs. A. Kelley and Mrs. Howlandson, and recitations by Mildred McGowan and Hattie O'Hearn. After the musical program a dainty luncheon was served by the hostesses.

The party ended up at a late hour, wishing Miss Bushnell the best of luck in the future.

## IS SERIOUSLY ILL

Mr. Arthur Glasgow, a veteran of Company I, Fourth Mass. Cavalry, is dangerously ill at his home, 247 Dutton street. Mr. Glasgow fought under General Sheridan in the Civil war.

CITY PLANNING BOARD  
The meeting of the planning board scheduled for Monday has been postponed until the latter part of the week. The postponement was asked for by one of the members, Mr. Walter Bowers, who was called to Malone to attend a funeral.

## SUICIDE BY SHOOTING

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Dec. 23.—Leon St. John, 24, whose home is in North Adams, Mass., committed suicide at a boarding house here today by shooting. St. John is said to have been despondent over financial difficulties.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

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REMOVES the growth without the  
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## WINTER LUXURY

This winter luxury is built of seal, richly banded with monkey fur. With it go a chunky, mull and a jaunty turban of cord colored silk poplin, laced with a white silk cord and finished with a white ostrich pompon tucked on the right side.

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## Stock Market Closing Prices Dec. 23

FOR COMPLETE REPORT OF TODAY'S CLOSING PRICES SEE LATER EDITION

## NEW YORK MARKET

Stocks	High	Low	Close
Am Beet Sugar	69 1/2	69 1/2	69 1/2
Am Can	60 1/2	60 1/2	60 1/2
Am Car & Fn.	77 1/2	77 1/2	77 1/2
Am Coal	68 1/2	68 1/2	68 1/2
Am Locomo	115 1/2	108 1/2	101 1/2
Am Steel & L.	106 1/2	105 1/2	105 1/2
Am Suzer Bf	112 1/2	115 1/2	116 1/2
Anaconda	89 1/2	89 1/2	89 1/2
Atchison	107 1/2	106 1/2	106 1/2
Atch pf	101 1/2	101 1/2	101 1/2
Baldwin Loco	118 1/2	116 1/2	117 1/2
Bar & Ohio	107 1/2	106 1/2	106 1/2
Barl. Trust	87 1/2	87 1/2	87 1/2
Calif Petroleum	32 1/2	31 1/2	32
Calif. Petrol. Is.	61 1/2	61 1/2	61 1/2
Canadian Pa.	51	179 1/2	181
Chile	21 1/2	21 1/2	21 1/2
Cent. Leather	63 1/2	62 1/2	63 1/2
Ches. & Ohio	63	62 1/2	62 1/2
Col. Fuel	51 1/2	51 1/2	51 1/2
Consol. Gas	145 1/2	144 1/2	145 1/2
Crucible Steel	74 1/2	73	74
Dls. Secu. Co.	49 1/2	47 1/2	49 1/2
Erie	42 1/2	41 1/2	42 1/2
Erie 1st pf	66 1/2	55 1/2	60 1/2
Fr. North pf	121 1/2	123 1/2	126
Fr. North Ore cf	19	47 1/2	49
Illinois Cen.	107	107	107
Int. Paper	121 1/2	123 1/2	125 1/2
Int. Paper pf	49 1/2	49 1/2	49 1/2
M. M. O.	76 1/2	74 1/2	74 1/2
M. M. O. 1st	101 1/2	101 1/2	101 1/2
M. M. O. 2nd	60 1/2	58 1/2	58 1/2
Min. City So.	71 1/2	71 1/2	71 1/2
Lighty Valley	82 1/2	81 1/2	82 1/2
Mexican Petroleum	106 1/2	103	105 1/2
Missouri Pa.	4	4	4
Nat. Lead	66 1/2	65 1/2	66 1/2
N. Y. Air Brake	157 1/2	156 1/2	157 1/2
Nor. & West.	122 1/2	120 1/2	122 1/2
No. Am. Co.	73	72 1/2	72 1/2
North Pacific	111 1/2	116 1/2	117 1/2
One & West.	31	30 1/2	31
Pennsylv.	59 1/2	58 1/2	59
Pressed Steel	65 1/2	65 1/2	65 1/2
St. L. St. Co.	165 1/2	165 1/2	165 1/2
Reading	82 1/2	81 1/2	82 1/2
Rep. Iron & S.	55 1/2	54 1/2	55 1/2
Rock Is.	16 1/2	16 1/2	16 1/2
St. Paul	54 1/2	53 1/2	54 1/2
So. Pacific	192 1/2	190 1/2	190 1/2
Southern Ry.	22 1/2	23	23
Southern Ry. pf	52	61 1/2	62
Studebaker	169	166 1/2	167 1/2
Tenn. Copper	61 1/2	60	60 1/2
Third Ave.	80 1/2	80 1/2	80 1/2
Union Pacific	135 1/2	137	137 1/2
Union Pac. pf	83	83	83
U. S. 1st	54 1/2	54 1/2	54 1/2
U. S. 2nd	109 1/2	109 1/2	109 1/2
U. S. Steel	58 1/2	56 1/2	56 1/2
U. S. Steel pf	116 1/2	116 1/2	116 1/2
U. S. Steel ss	103 1/2	103 1/2	103 1/2
Utah Copper	50 1/2	50 1/2	50 1/2
Westinghouse	69 1/2	68 1/2	68 1/2
Western	57	57	57

## COPPERS AND OILS LEAD

FEATURE OF OPENING—INVEST-  
MENT SHARES AT BEST PRICES

IN LATE TRADING

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Coppers and  
oils were again the leaders at the out-  
set of today's moderately active mar-  
ket, with the usual neglect of more  
seasoned issues. Initial gains of sub-  
stantial fractions to a full point wererecorded by American Smelting and  
Utah, Anaconda and Tennessee Coper-  
ers while Mexican Petroleum rose a  
point to the new record of 103 7-8. U.  
S. Steel scored a fractional advance at  
the opening, soon adding to its gains.  
Such specialties as Crucible Steel,

Studebaker and American Car also

were slightly higher, with a further

demand for Mercantile Metals.

Profiting exercised the usual effect, but recoveries were prompt. Mexican Petroleum extending its gain to  
105 1-2, while Smelting rose almost a  
point to 103 1-4. Steel was offered in  
large blocks, one 6000 share lot selling  
at 86 3-8. New York Central denoted  
further accumulation, advancing 3 to  
106 1-2, its top price in two years. Un-  
usual activity was shown by Lake Erie  
and Western common and preferred,  
and New York, Chicago & St. Louis at  
substantial gains, but Erie were dis-  
tinctly heavy. General Motors fell  
19 1-4 to 47 3-4, and Bethlehem Steel 3  
to 46. Bonds were irregular, with  
diminished dealings in Anglo-French  
bonds.

Trading broadened and the pace

quickened in the early afternoon, rolls  
contributing materially to the general  
improvement. General Motors was an  
exception, however, continuing its decline to 46.Investment shares were at best  
prices in the late trading, while spot  
qualities, notably oils, were lower. The  
closing was strong.

## MONEY MARKET

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Mercantile  
paper 3 and 3 1-4; Sterling: Sixty  
day bills, 4 1/2-3 1/2; demand, 4 7/8-3 1/2;  
cables, 4 7/8-5 1/2; France: Demand,

5 1/2; cables, 5 1/2; Marks: Demand,

7 1/2; cables, 7 1/2-9 1/2; Guilders: De-

mand, 43 1-4; cables, 43 5-8; Lit-  
uanian, 51 3-4; cables, 50 1/2-60 1/2;  
Swiss, 49 1/2-50 1/2; cables, 50 1/2-55 1/2;  
Tunis: Demand, 40 1/2-45 1/2; cables, 40 1/2-48 1/2;  
U. S. Smelting pf, 50 1/2-50 1/2; cables, 50 1/2-55 1/2;  
Utah-Apex, 3 1/2-3 1/2; cables, 3 1/2-3 1/2;  
Utah Cons., 13 1/2-13 1/2; cables, 13 1/2-13 1/2;  
Winona, 3 1/2-3 1/2; cables, 3 1/2-3 1/2;  
Wolverine, 61 1/2-60 1/2; cables, 60 1/2-60 1/2.

## BOSTON MARKET

## RAILROADS

Stocks

High

Low

Close

Boston Elevated

81 1/2

81 1/2

81 1/2

Boston &amp; Malone

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## THE WEATHER

Increasing cloudiness tonight; Saturday unsettled, probably rain or snow.

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## THE LOWELL SUN

7  
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# TAINTED TURKEY SENT BACK FROM CITY FARM

There was quite a sensation at city hall this morning when it was reported that turkeys sent to the Chelmsford street hospital for the Christmas dinner tomorrow were tainted.

The report finally reached the mayor's office and the mayor, in company with Purchasing Agent Foye, Agent Bates of the board of health, and Dr. Clement B. Hamblet, inspector of meat and provisions, went to the Chelmsford street hospital to examine the turkeys.

As a result of the visit of these officials, 205 of the 600 pounds of turkey purchased for the inmates' dinner tomorrow were condemned and as some of the remaining 452 pounds didn't look any too good, it was decided to send back the whole lot and have them replaced by good turkeys.

The contract price for the turkeys was 21 cents a pound. They were delivered yesterday afternoon and while Supt. Conley who talked with a reporter for The Sun this morning relative to the Christmas dinner at the farm did not say anything about the bad turkeys, he reported the matter to the mayor a little later.

It was stated by the examiners that some of the birds were black and that the odor was not nearly as refreshing as the ozone of the pines. The purchasing agent gave as his opinion that some of the birds were not turkeys as quite a number of them weighed less than six pounds. Dr. Hamblet took one of the birds away with him for future reference.

Asked about the bad turkeys, the mayor said: "The matter was reported to me this morning and I went to the Chelmsford street hospital. I thought at first that the purchasing agent would be the man to act, but I discovered that it was up to me and I condemned 205 of a total of 600 pounds. I took the inspector of meat and provisions along in order to be on the safe side, but it wasn't really necessary, as it was plain to be seen that the birds, some of them at least, were bad. The rest of them were none too good and it was finally decided to send all of them back and get a new lot."

**Elks' Christmas Charity**  
LOCAL LODGE SPEND NEARLY \$1000 ON THE CITY'S POOR THIS YEAR

Just as The Sun was going to press this afternoon, the Christmas Charity committee of Lowell Lodge of Elks had finished their work of distribution, having made hundreds of hours happy.

This year the Elks put out nearly \$1000 in charity, divided up in money, clothing, shoes, coal and wood and baskets of food, as the cases met with required. First concern was given to the widows and orphans of deceased Elks and then all worthy cases that came to the attention of the committee were dealt with impartially until the fund was exhausted. The publicity given the Elks Christmas charity this year resulted in a number of demands for aid that almost overwhelmed them but the hustling committee investigated the cases and gave what was most needed where it was most needed.

### PAYOUT OF \$10,000.00

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 24.—Distribution of the Christmas payroll in the Pittsburgh industrial district will be completed before nightfall and when the last envelope has been handed out the less than \$10,000,000 will be in the hands of wage workers and salaried men, according to the estimates of bankers. All the mills, mines and factories have paid their men during the week or will pay them today, while Allegheny country, the city of Pittsburgh, and the city board of education will distribute some \$700,000. This unusually heavy payroll is the result of the great activity in the industries of the district.

### REFORM FRENCH JUDICIARY

PARIS, Dec. 24.—A bill aiming at the radical reform of the French judiciary was presented in the chamber of deputies today by Minister of Justice Viaton.

The bill provides for the substitution of single judges for the present system of one judge with two judge assessors in grave or doubtful cases.

### GIFT OF WAGE INCREASE

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Between 6,000 and 7,000 employees of the Brooklyn Transit Co. today received a Christmas gift from the company in the form of a general increase in wages to take effect January 1. It was estimated that the increase would total about \$250,000 a year.

### NOTICE

This bank will be open Friday Evening from 7 to 9 o'clock for the accommodation of the public.

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It will be a merry Christmas, and every day will be merry if Dr. Allen cares for your teeth.

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DAD KNOWS BEST HOW to choose his own cigars and such things better than anyone else can do it for him, but

WHOEVER LOVES DAD can choose for him any one of the hundreds of things in our men's store. Sure of welcome are Bathrobes, Sweaters, House Coats, Pajamas, Scarfs, Shirts, Neckties—especially the kind you buy of us—his kind.

Closed All Day Tomorrow (Christmas)

# U. S. INQUIRY ON SINKING OF LINER

## Consulate Agents Asked to Obtain Accurate Versions of Torpedoing of Japanese Steamer and Forward Them Without Delay to State Dept.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—The sinking of the Japanese liner *Yasaka Maru* in the Mediterranean reported torpedoed without warning will be made the subject of inquiry by the United States Consular agents will be asked to obtain accurate versions of the incident and forward them without delay to the state department.

The state department's inquiry in the case is based solely on reports that the liner had an American passenger aboard. Although he was rescued, it is felt that if the liner was torpedoed without warning will be discussed and a demand that American life was endangered. Should reports that the vessel was torpedoed without warning and that the submarine was practices.

An Austrian has verified officially, it is said further diplomatic correspondence with Austria-Hungary will undoubtedly ensue, in which the torpedoing of ships without warning will be discussed and a demand that American lives be not placed in peril by such

# FORD QUILTS PEACE PARTY AND SAILS FOR NEW YORK

# EUROPEAN SOCIALISTS DISCUSS PEACE TERMS

European socialists collectively have taken up the peace question, according to the Amsterdam Telegraaf which declares that prominent members of the socialist group from all the warring nations except Italy met at The Hague two days ago. Means for furthering a speedy peace were provisionally discussed, the newspaper declares.

### British Casualties

British war casualties totalled 528,227 up to Dec. 9, it was officially announced in London today.

### Italian War Loss

Italy is to open subscriptions next month to a war loan which will be issued at 97 1/2 lire, bear 5% per cent. interest and run for 25 years, it is announced from Rome.

### Bulgars and Serbs Clash

The Bulgarians and the remnant of the Serbian army are again in touch in Albania, according to Prince Alexis Karageorgieff of Serbia who has arrived in Rome with reports of a three days' battle near Elbasan. King Peter is at Avlona, the prince states.

### French Driven Out

The Germans have completed their reconquest on the Hartmanns-Wellerkopf positions recently taken by the French in their offensive in the Vosges region, Berlin announces. Today's statement tells of the French being driven from the last of the trenches they still held—those on the northern slope of the mountain.

### On the French Front

There has been a continuation of lively artillery activity along the front in France, according to the German war office, while northeast of Souain, in the Champagne region, the French made a night attack with hand grenades. This was easily repulsed, Berlin asserts.

### Austrians Repulsed

Montenegro official statements recently have indicated that the Austrians were meeting with stiff resistance by the troops of King Nicholas. Today's communication records the repulse of an Austrian attack on Tourlak with heavy losses to the assaulting force, and the driving back of another Austrian column in the vicinity of Blelo.

### Russians to Fight to Finish

The budget committee of the Russian duma has adopted resolutions declaring that Russia could not think of peace while the power of the German forces

# GAYETY AT WASHINGTON

## Decorations of Green and Scarlet in Great Profusion—Customs of Different Classes

### Special to The Sun

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 24.—Washington is a mass of green and scarlet. We are in the midst of the holly tree and mistletoe region and the Christmas season here is marked by a glory of decoration unknown to a northern city.

Great masses of holly, mistletoe, polka dots and a blaze of scarlet blossoms flanked by Christmas trees of all sizes block the sidewalks at prominent street corners; the shop windows are

one splendid red bloom, the markets filled with little pigs and sides of beef gaily trimmed with artificial flowers and red ribbons, the streets are crowded and "down town" has taken on a festive air not easy to depict. What with things to eat, things to wear, things to blow, to whistle and to look at, and even drums to beat—all garnished with scarlet boughs and glittering tinsel and all in active street use, the capital has taken on the semblance of some strange country.

In this street gaiety the colored population predominates. Apparently not one of the 100,000 negroes of the city has the slightest intention of bidding Christmas a light under a bushel.

Little fires crackle and blaze at street corners and in the market place. Crowd around them are scores of small darkies warming their bare toes and tooting lustily on penny horns, for to the average black boy Christmas is simply a repetition of the 4th of July, only on a more elaborate scale and with more noise. He may be shodless and without the saving grace of a stocking to cover his tough little black feet, but if he can raise the price, he purchases a penny toot horn and gets his money's worth by tooting it with all his might from early morn till the bare of lights from the community Christmas tree—the grand chorus and magnificent tableau—ushers in the irrepressible peckitianny into an awful silence. And this lasts from Christmas even to the chiming of the New Year's bells.

RICHARDS.

### MOULDERS HIRED

The places of the moulders who went on strike last Tuesday at the Saco-Lowell shop have been partially filled according to Supt. Whittier and Agent E. E. Blake left this morning for Biddeford, Me., after spending several days in this city.

### HER LEG FRACTURED

Mrs. Howe, living at 46 Butler ave., was taken in the ambulance to St. John's hospital this afternoon suffering from a fractured leg. The accident occurred Wednesday.

### BOOM FOR ROOSEVELT

LANSING, Mich., Dec. 24.—Petitions to place the name of Theodore Roosevelt on the presidential primary ballot in Michigan as the candidate of the national progressive party were filed today with the secretary of state.

Most of the signatures were obtained in Detroit.

It is understood that former progressives who have returned to the republican party are giving impetus to a movement to have Col. Roosevelt's name also placed on the republican ballot.

### FREE RENT FOR YEAR

200 Homes Established For Impoverished Widows of the Carranza Soldiers

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 24.—Free houses for a year for impoverished widows of Carranza soldiers is a philanthropy which the new government has undertaken. Two hundred such homes have been established by the decree of Gen. Pilar R. Sanchez, chief of the second division of the west, according to advices available here today. To accomplish this many houses have been commanded. Documentary evidence that the husband was killed in a campaign is required of the widow applicant.

### CONVICTED OF FORGERY

NEWARK, N. J., Dec. 24.—After being out all night a jury in a coroner's inquest court today returned a verdict of guilty in the case of A. L. Rawlings, a former prominent business man of this city.

Rawlings, who formerly conducted a large piano house, was charged with the forgery of notes aggregating \$350,000. His creditors included many firms in cities throughout the country. Sentence was deferred.

### SWEDISH GOVERNMENT PROTEST

LONDON, Dec. 24.—In replying to the Swedish government's protest against the seizure of parcel post packages sent from the United States to Sweden, the British government will cite the action of the 1907 conference at The Hague.

### \$55,000 IN BONUSES

WORCESTER, Dec. 24.—The Graton & Knight Mfg. Co. today distributed \$55,000 among its 1,700 employees as bonuses for loyalty during the past year in an unprecedented rush of business.



### Merry Christmas

Is here. Not to break in harshly on the Merry—how about the day, the week after? We have been good spenders, that joy might come to others. Why not next week do some repair work? Why not Begin to Save Some Merry for Yourself?

### Begin Saving Money

Start Savings Account. Money deposited this week and next week begins earning interest next week Friday at the

### Middlesex Trust Co.

Corner Merrimack and Palmer Sts.

BANK This Friday night, 8 to 10, OPENES and Saturday nights (except Xmas).

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#### WILL CLOSE

Store and Soda Fountain At 1 O'Clock CHRISTMAS DAY

Restaurant and Lunch Room

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### Richardson Hotel

#### CHRISTMAS DINNER \$1.00

Blue Points on Half Shell Olives, Salted Nuts, Celery Cream of Chicken, Princess Style Tomato Bisque, Dinner Biscuits Baked Rock Cod, Point Shirley Style Dressed Cucumbers

Potatoe a la Hoban Minced Turkey

Chicken au Villeroy in Cases Roast Young Turkey, Oyster Dressing

Roast Filet of Beef Larded Roast Suckling Pig, New England Style

Creamed Onions, Hubbard Squash

Minced Turnips

Bolled, Mashed or Sweet Potatoes

Florentine of Apples with Pistachio

Ice Cream

Plum Pudding, Brandy Sauce

Assorted Cakes

Cheese Tossed Crackers Nuts

Raisins

After Dinner Coffee

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WORCESTER

# THE CHRISTMAS SERVICES

## Elaborate Programs in Churches Tomorrow — Sermons on the Savior's Nativity

Tomorrow most of the local churches will celebrate Christmas by grand musical programs and services appropriate to the occasion. In the Catholic churches especially the observance will be carried out on a very elaborate scale. In some of the churches the Christmas programs were given last Sunday. The principal to be given tomorrow are presented below. The sermons will deal with the story of the Mystery of Christ the Savior.

The programs:

**ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH**  
Solemn High Mass 11 O'Clock  
Processional, *Adeste Fideles*, *Novello*  
Christians Carols ..... Arundel  
Introit, *Puer Natus* ..... G. Capoel  
Sanctuary Choir  
Solemn Mass, St. Cecilia (Revised Edition) ..... Gounod  
(Kyrie, Gloria, Credo, Sanctus, Benedictus, Agnus Dei).  
Church Choir: *Videtur Omnes*, *Falkenstein*  
Graduate, *Videtur Omnes*, *Falkenstein*  
Offertory, *Tul Sunt Coeli*, J. B. Tresch  
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Sanctuary Choir  
Motet, *Nato Nobis*, *Van Reyschoot*  
Church Choir  
Communion, *Videtur Omnes*, *Falkenstein*  
Recessional, Carols ..... Arundel  
Ringers by a sanctus choir of 50 voices. Brother Niles, director. James King, chanter.

Church quartet: Miss Alice Murphy, soprano; Mrs. James Morris, contralto; Mr. Andrew McCarthy, tenor; Mr. Andrew McCarthy, director. Assisted by Misses Margaret O'Conor, Theresa Slattery, soprano; Mr. John Kavanagh, tenor; Mr. D. S. O'Brien, baritone; a chorus of 25 voices and M. J. Johnson at the organ.

**Vespers 7 O'Clock**  
Processional: "See Amid the Winter's Snow" ..... Arundel  
Christmas Carols ..... Arundel  
Psalms and antiphons of the feast sung antiphonally by church and sanctuary choirs.

Plain Chant ..... Bristow  
Hymn of the Day, Jesus Refector ..... Bristow  
Magnificat ..... Plain Chant  
Antiphon of the season, Alma Redemptoris ..... Webb  
Sanctuary Choir

Benediction: *Baritone solo, O Salutaris*, Hargitt  
Motet, *Nato Nobis*, *Van Reyschoot*  
Chorus, *Tantum Ergo*, ..... Bozaris  
Church Choir

Laudate Dominum ..... Plain Chant  
Recessional, Sanctuary Choir

The girls' choir, under the direction of the Sisters of Notre Dame, will sing Christmas carols at the 5 and 8.30 o'clock masses. John J. Kelly will preside at the organ.

**ST. PETER'S CHURCH**

Solemn High Mass at 11 a. m.

The choir will sing Gounod's Mass of the Sacred Heart, and at the offertory *Van Reyschoot's Nato Nobis*, Salvatore.

Solemn Vespers at 7 p. m.

An elaborate musical program will be rendered by the regular choirs and quartets, consisting of Miss Gertrude Kelcher, soprano; Miss Elizabeth Murningham, alto; Mr. Lawrence Delaney, tenor; Mr. James Donnelly, baritone; Miss Carolyn White, organist; Mr. Joseph Egan, cantor.

**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH**

Solemn High Mass at 11 a. m.

Processional, *The Birthday of a King*, Neidlinger

Sanctuary Choir

Introit, *Puer Natus*, ..... Capoel

Kyrie, Gloria, Credo, Sanctus and Agnus Dei ..... Kallwold

Graduate, *Videtur Omnes*, *Falkenstein*

Offertory, *Tul Sunt Coeli*, J. B. Tresch

*Van Reyschoot*

Mrs. Frank P. Martin and Chorus

Communion, *Videtur Omnes*, *Falkenstein*

Recessional, O Holy Night, *Falkenstein*

Sanctuary Choir

Solemn Vespers at 6.30 p. m.

Processional — *Adeste Fideles*

Silent Night

Traditional Sanctuary Choir

Psalm —

Dixit Dominus Confitebatur Tibi

Beatus Vir De Profundis

Memento Domini

Gregorian Hymn, Jesu Redemptor Gache

Magnificat Et Alma Redemptoris Playe

O Salutaris

Mass, Kyrie, Gloria, Credo, Sanctus and Agnus Dei

Graduate, *Videtur Omnes*, *Falkenstein*

Offertory, *Tul Sunt Coeli*, J. B. Tresch

*Van Reyschoot*

Mrs. Frank P. Martin, soprano; Miss Katherine McCaffery, alto; Mr. Arthur McQuaid, tenor; Messrs. David P. Martin and Frank Kane, basses; Mrs.

## GREETINGS

George H. Wood, the Jeweler, wishes to thank all his friends and customers for their patronage in making this season his banner year, and wishes all a

**HAPPY CHRISTMAS AND A  
PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR**

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Ave Maria, Miss Stelle Latour ..... Goeb  
Tantum Ergo ..... Goeb  
Laudate, Chorus  
Recessional, Nocturne des Anges, G. F. Vincent  
Mrs. M. A. Bernard, organist; Telephone Malo, director.

**ST. COLUMBA'S**

High Mass at 11 o'clock

Processional March ..... E. A. Battista

Asperges, ..... E. A. Battista

Kyrie, St. Cecilia's ..... Turner

Gloria, St. Cecilia's ..... Turner

Credo, St. Cecilia's ..... Turner

Choir, Offertory: *Adeste Fideles*, Katherine Klinon, Charles McQuillan

Sanctus, St. Cecilia's ..... Turner

Benedictus, St. Cecilia's ..... Turner

Agnus Dei, St. Cecilia's ..... Turner

Choir, Recessional March ..... E. A. Battista

Evening Services at 7:30 o'clock

March ..... E. A. Battista

O Holy Night, Katherine Klinon

Salutator, Choir, Werger

Tantum Ergo ..... Werger

Holy God, Choir

March ..... E. A. Battista

Miss Katherine F. Whaley, organist and director.

**ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH**

At the 11:45 o'clock mass, an augmented choir, under the direction of Mr. John F. McGlinchey, organist

will sing Rosewig's Mass in F. At the offertory, Miss Katherine V. Hennessey, soprano, will render Haile's beautiful "Ave Verum".

At the 6 o'clock mass, Christmas carols will be sung by the newly organized children's choir. The solo of the "Adeste Fideles" will be taken by Master John Goodwin, Miss Rose McCarthy, Miss Leonie Cuff, and Miss Evelyn Cox. Miss Theresa Hennessy, organist and director.

An elaborate musical program, embracing both choirs, has been arranged for vespers at 4 p. m.

**ST. LOUIS' CHURCH**

Solemn High Mass at 11 a. m.

Processional, Organ and orchestra

Asperges, Gregorian

Introit, *Puer Natus*, Est, Gregorian

Sanctus, St. Cecilia's Mass, Chas. Gounod

Benedictus, St. Cecilia's Mass, C. Gounod

Graduate, *Videtur Omnes*, Gregorian

Credo, St. Cecilia's Mass, Chas. Gounod

Recessional, Church choir

Solemn Vespers at 7:30 p. m.

Irregular Psalms, Alma Redemptoris

O Salutaris, ..... Holden

Ave Maria, ..... Millard

Tantum Ergo, ..... Rossi

Laudate, Choir

Soloists at mass and vespers: Misses Clementine Simard, Alice Prato, Berendette Fontaine, Eva Dujon, M. Chabot, Isidore Michaud, Louise Tremblay, Adolphe Bouchard and Olier J. Vidal. Miss Ida Montrond, organist; O. J. David, director; Edouard Bliron, orchestra leader.

**NOTRE DAME DE LOURDES**

High Mass at 10:30 a. m.

Processional, Organ and orchestra

Asperges, Gregorian

Introit, *Puer Natus*, Est, Gregorian

Sanctus, St. Cecilia's Mass, Chas. Gounod

Benedictus, St. Cecilia's Mass, Chas. Gounod

Graduate, *Videtur Omnes*, Gregorian

Credo, St. Cecilia's Mass, Chas. Gounod

Recessional, Church choir

Solemn Vespers at 6:30 p. m.

Irregular Psalms, O Holy Night

Sanctus, St. Cecilia's Mass, Chas. Gounod

Benedictus, St. Cecilia's Mass, Chas. Gounod

Graduate, *Videtur Omnes*, Gregorian

Credo, St. Cecilia's Mass, Chas. Gounod

Recessional, Church choir

Solemn Vespers at 7:30 p. m.

Irregular Psalms, O Holy Night

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Benedictus, St. Cecilia's Mass, Chas. Gounod

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Credo, St. Cecilia's Mass, Chas. Gounod

Recessional, Church choir

Solemn Vespers at 8:30 p. m.

Irregular Psalms, O Holy Night

Sanctus, St. Cecilia's Mass, Chas. Gounod

Benedictus, St. Cecilia's Mass, Chas. Gounod

Graduate, *Videtur Omnes*, Gregorian

Credo, St. Cecilia's Mass, Chas. Gounod

Recessional, Church choir

Solemn Vespers at 9:30 p. m.

Irregular Psalms, O Holy Night

Sanctus, St. Cecilia's Mass, Chas. Gounod

Benedictus, St. Cecilia's Mass, Chas. Gounod

Graduate, *Videtur Omnes*, Gregorian

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Recessional, Church choir

Solemn Vespers at 10:30 p. m.

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Recessional, Church choir

Solemn Vespers at 11:30 p. m.

## A QUARTER CENTURY AGO

Quarter of a century ago. The Sun issued a special Christmas supplement in honor of the holiday and among its special features was a fragmentary poem appropriate to the occasion and entitled "The Incarnation," written for The Sun by Mr. Edward J. Gallagher, then as at present, the editor of The Sun. At that time Mr. Gallagher intended, at a later date, to extend the poem so as to cover the work of redemption and the changes brought about by Christianity; but he has never found the time necessary for such an undertaking. Hence the poem appears below practically as printed twenty-five years ago:

**The Incarnation**  
Obedient is the fiat of His will,  
The promise of redemption to fulfill,  
A mystery so wrought that will alone  
For Adam's primal sin, may to the throne  
Of God lead all who will and thus restore  
To man his destiny forevermore.  
A Being infinite was disobeyed  
And infinite the ransom to be paid;  
A God infinite and omnipotent  
To earth in human form will now be sent.  
One person of the Trinity on high  
Must come of woman born as man to die,  
And leave mankind the gospel of his love,  
The light of truth to lead to heaven above.

Already has an angel hailed the Queen,  
The future mother of the Nazarene,  
Conceived immaculate, of woman blest.  
Her motherhood divine with gentlest.  
The crown of heaven holds a noble birth.  
Eric Christ descends to set his people free;  
Rush glorious orbs to heaven's portal high  
With beams sublime to waltz their God  
piss by.  
There, dazzling all arrayed on either side,  
Creation's glory, majestic abode  
To see the God of hosts descend below  
On earth to conquer man's eternal foe—  
That evil usurper, Satan, there to smile,  
And man with God forever reunite;  
Our man redeemed forevermore to reign  
That evil never may blight his bliss again.

Those beauteous orbs in beams re-  
splendent vic.  
Their honest ray would vanquish hu-  
man eye.  
On heaven's battlements and far away  
pour their light intense and well display  
Infinity of space illumined, the glow,  
Of golden sunset, dawn and polar bow—  
All lovely hues and shades that seem,  
The blithe visions of an angel's dream.

But lo! now heaven's portals open wide  
And forth a mighty host of angels glide,  
There martyrs, prophets, crowned with  
glory, shine.  
There angels glow in rarest beams divine.  
And there, Creation's God in highest glory dight  
Before whose face those orbs have  
hidden from sight, and  
Beside the beams untold that shone in  
Heaven.  
A wide infinity of suns were dim.  
Angelic anthems through the ether swell  
Delighting all in upper worlds that  
Celestial strains above, below, around.  
Through wide vacuities of space resound  
And echoes sweet in universal play,  
Beyond creation's limits die away.

Some saints have seen a beauteous  
World of light, that earthly spirit lays in heaven's height.

In melody that lulled all care to rest  
Awakening joy celestial in the breast—  
More sweet than earthly number ever felt;

Not Orpheus' lute, Cecilia's choral swell,  
No human voice or lyre on earth e'er found,  
Could pour such thrilling symphonies around—  
No song bird could it be that soared above,  
Nay, 'tis a Seraph breathing songs of love,  
Spelling them, they deemed, they listened  
But a day.

But found withal that years had  
passed away;  
E'en so eternal life will glide along,  
Ten thousand years of rapture in a song,  
Of love and glory chanted by the best  
Who in the beatific vision rest;  
One moment that supernal joy to know.

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15 East Merrimack St., 467 Lawrence St., Cor Broadway and School Street.

## AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT TWO KILLED IN WRECK

## MISS QUEENIE MANCHESTER INJURED IN CRASH WHEN THE CAR SKIDDED

Miss Queenie A. Manchester, secretary to Principal Cyrus W. Irish of the Lowell high school, was injured late yesterday afternoon when an automobile owned by her mother, Mrs. Jessie G. Manchester of 66 Willow street, collided with a machine owned and driven by J. H. Mills of St. Dover street.

The accident occurred about 5 o'clock on the Boston road just beyond Tewksbury centre. The Manchester car, driven by Mrs. Manchester and occupied by her mother, sister, Miss Queenie A. and brother, William, was headed toward Lowell returning from Somerville. As they were ascending a slight incline, the machine skidded and turned completely around. Mr. Mills and two passengers were following close behind and crashed into the car. None of the occupants was thrown out. Though Mrs. Manchester's car was demolished, the Mills automobile was saved by a bumper. Miss Queenie Manchester sustained severe bruises about the body while the other occupants were badly shaken up and suffered from the shock.

## 15 KILLED; 30 INJURED

## PASSENGER TRAIN AND FAST FREIGHT, IN COLLISION YESTERDAY

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., Dec. 24.—Engineer Irby Read and Fireman W. E. Lehr, of Nashville, and 13 negro laborers, were killed and 22 negroes seriously injured late yesterday in a collision between a Chattanooga-Nashville passenger train and a fast freight on the Nashville, Chattanooga & St. Louis railway.

## \$500,000 DAMAGE

300 Feet of Steel "False Work" of Bridge Swept Away by the Heavy Current

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Dec. 24.—Upwards of \$500,000 damage was done last night when about 300 feet of the steel "false work" of the Nathanian railroad and wagon bridge which is to span the Mississippi here, was swept away by the heavy current caused by a rapid rise in the river. No one was injured.

Completion of the bridge, which it was expected would be finished next summer at a cost of approximately \$600,000, will be delayed about seven months.

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Mrs. Del Drago of New York MAKES PRESENT TO QUEEN OF ITALY FOR SOLDIERS' FAMILIES

ROME, Dec. 24.—The Stefani News Agency says that Mrs. Josephine Del Drago of New York has offered \$2,000,000 to the queen of Italy as a Christmas gift for distribution among the families of combatants and that the queen has accepted the proffer with profound thanks.

Mrs. Josephine Del Drago inherited from her husband, August Schmid of New York, a large estate; Mr. Schmid was a prosperous brewer and Mrs. Del Drago is now president of the big brewing company of which her husband was the head when he died in 1889.

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## SUN &amp; REAL ESTATE AND BUILDERS' PAGE

## REAL ESTATE MATTERS

Building Operations Rather Dull  
—Transactions Recorded for  
the Week—Sales Reported

Building operations in Lowell at the present time are rather quiet owing to weather conditions but there is considerable work being done on the inside and many alterations are also being made. Very little new work is going on, but indications at the present time are that although more buildings were erected in this city during the year 1915 than any other year there will be big increase in this line of work next year, that is as soon as the weather permits.

Hundreds of houses, blocks, two and three apartment houses and bungalows have been constructed during the year, the upbuilding of the suburban districts being quite noticeable. There has been a general tendency during the past year for families to move to the suburbs and while many people have by frugally purchased homes of their own others have caused to be erected two apartment houses, occupying one apartment themselves and letting the other.

There have also been many houses erected for investment in the outlying districts, all of which are a credit to the city.

**Memorial Building**  
The Memorial building has been enclosed and the slate work with the exception of a little on the front of the building has been laid. Although there has been some criticism about the slowness of the work on the remodeling of this building the different contractors have had to work under difficulties and this made the work necessarily slow. With the roof on the building and the interior protected from the elements the interior work can be gone ahead with no matter how stormy the weather.

**Permit Granted**  
There was but one permit granted at the office of the land and buildings department this week, and that was for an alteration to the house of Elizabeth and William F. Copson at 315 B street. This building is to be changed over from a single to a two family house.

Up to the time of going to press today 729 permits to build and make alterations have been granted by the office of the land and buildings department during the year 1915, this being the largest in the history of the city.

The improvement of old buildings throughout the city during the year has been remarkable. Even in the business section stores have been changed over, new fronts having been put in and various alterations made. Many single houses have been changed into double or two apartment dwellings and steam heat and up-to-date plumbing has been installed. Property owners are beginning to realize that the improvement of property and slight increase in rents is more profitable than allowing the property to depreciate.

**Mr. Nelson's Property**  
F. E. Nelson, proprietor of what is known as "Nelson's Five & Ten Cent Store" in Central street, this city, and similar stores in Nashua and Manchester, is anxious to purchase the Howard block in Nashua, N. H., owned by Hon. J. W. Howard. This building is located on Main street and is considered

## U. S. NAVY BOARD'S PLAN

SEC. DANIELS CONSIDERS MAKING POLICY PUBLIC BEFORE CONGRESSIONAL COM. HEARINGS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—The full text of the report of the navy general board urging that the United States navy be placed on an equality with the strongest arm by 1925 probably will be made public by Secretary Daniels before congressional committee hearings begin on the administration's navy plans.

Mr. Daniels said tonight he was giving the matter serious thought as a result of statements made by various members of congress that they would seek its publication and also because this report was mentioned in the letter of resignation from Henry A. Wood of New York, severing his connections with the recently organized civilian advisory board.

See Daniels will acknowledge Mr. Wood's resignation and ask the American Society of Aeronautical Engineers, which selected him for membership on the advisory board, to name his successor.

The general board's policy apparently contemplates a two-power standard for the American navy in declaring it should equal "the most powerful maintained, by any other nation in the world," not later than 1925.

The British navy, now far in advance of that of any other power in strength, is maintained upon a policy that it shall at all times equal the navies of any two other powers, although tactically, at least, the American navy has been excluded from that calculation in the past.

While naval officials are unwilling to discuss the board's statement of policy in advance of its publication, it is indicated that the possibility that the United States might be called upon to meet enemies in both the Atlantic and Pacific oceans simultaneously was considered by reaching a conclusion.

The first year's building alone, under the program, it is reported, would equal the entire five-year administration program in cost, approaching \$500,000,000.

## 30 INJURED IN CRASH

ELECTRIC CAR HAD WILD AFTER MOTORMAN HAD BEEN THROWN ON CURVE

**SYRACUSE, N. Y., Dec. 24.**—Thirty persons were injured, some probably fatally, when an interurban car, running wild after the motorman had been thrown off the rails and crashed into a tree with terrific force late yesterday. About 100 passengers were aboard the car.

The car was Syracuse-bound from Spirewood and most of those aboard were workmen. As it turned a sharp curve on a down grade, the motorman fell from the vestibule. The car, with power turned on, gained great headway and as it reached another curve two blocks distant it jumped the tracks.

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NINE KILLED IN TRAIN WRECK

COWAN, Tenn., Dec. 24.—Eight laborers and one trainman were killed near here late yesterday in a collision between a freight train on which they were riding, and a fast Nashville, Chattanooga & St. Louis passenger train. Another trainman was probably fatally injured.

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## PEACE QUESTION

European Socialists Collectively Have Taken Up Discussion

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 24, via London, 11:52 a. m.—A number of prominent socialists from all the belligerent countries except Italy, met last Wednesday at The Hague, to discuss steps which might be taken to help bring about a speedy peace, according to the Telegraph today.

The newspaper says that the meeting was held at the offices of the international socialists bureau. The discussions were of a very provisional character, it adds. The Dutch delegates of the International Bureau had the proceedings under their direction.

## MURDER ON HIGH SEAS

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Dec. 24.—Eight men, the entire crew of the American schooner "Mark Pendleton," were arrested on the vessel's arrival here yesterday on charges growing out of the killing of Thomas Brown, a member of the crew, on the high seas. They will be held pending investigation.

The "Mark Pendleton" left St. Michael, the Azores, Nov. 1. Several days later the American consul at that place notified the department of Justice of Brown's death, and the marshal here was instructed to arrest the crew.

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## AMUSEMENT NOTES

## B. F. KEITH'S THEATRE

When Rusty, the in-door-well dog at the B. F. Keith's theatre this week, plunks himself down on a barrel and sits there, he does it with all of the satisfaction which a man would show. Rusty, in fact, impersonates the kind of man who doesn't like work, and who does like something else. And he comes to great good just at the close of the day. This dog is a trained dog, and is not permitted to run on the stage today. For companions, however, there are several others which have been taught to do very funny things. It should be stated that during the 15 minutes the dogs are in view no person appears. They carry on the little act all by themselves. Quite the most laughable incident is the elopement, in which dog comes down the ladder very quietly and is hustled away by the true love of his life, who dashes in from his shop with paws folded, in place of his most unusual performer. In this act, many hundreds of little ones have seen this act during the week, and grown-ups, too, have marveled at the performances of the dogs. Kenny & Hollis, who are known as the original college boys, give their splendid comedy turn. Kenny is one of the most original funny men in the business. He can turn himself to about anything in the entertainment line, and through his very H.H. always pleases. Carter, Kelly and Marion Wilder, assisted by Charlotte Maloney, violinist, and Dorothy Hayes, pianist, give the superb musical turn "Melodies—Past and Present." "Skel" Gallagher and Irene Martin are also contributors to the fun of the week. The Three Floods are acrobatic comedians, and the Ramsell Duo dance very prettily at the opening of the show. McShane & Rob-

inson are blackface comedians. Good seats are obtainable. Phone 25.

## OPERA HOUSE

Tonight and tomorrow (Christmas day) are the last chances for the theatregoers of this city to see "The Big Idea," the great Cohan and Harris masterpiece which is making such a tremendous hit, and which has been playing to big houses all the week. Rusty, the dog, is advised to see this performance today, and as many who can attend the matinee performance on Christmas day, as hundreds are certain to turn away in the evening. The wisest plan is to attend either the matinee or evening performance today. You want to see this splendid attraction. Seats will be reserved by phoning 251.

Sunday afternoon and night, the Opera House will present a rippling good program of vaudeville and picture features with big acts and hosts of photoplay subjects, including the latest releases in both comedies and dramas. There will be the usual two performances, the matinee starting at 2:15 o'clock, when the evening performance will start at 7:30 p. m. as many are turned away on Sunday evenings, the best plan is to attend the matinee if it is possible. The Six Harmonists is one of the biggest hits in recent years, and an act which will be a treat for Lowell audiences. Joe Hardman, "the King of comedians," has a bundle of new songs and gags which open the new year. Hoey and Belvoir, in the newest singing partnership with a bright line of dialogue, is another act that is certain to be on the winning side for applause. Ruth Goodwin, the "Southern Nightingale," and Dynes and Marshall, in songs and chat, complete the program. It is one of the best offered in Lowell in years, with every act a top-notch and every picture a feature and the packed houses will talk about this show for weeks to come.

All next week, starting with a special bon-bon matinee on Monday, the Emerson Players will present the most famous play of the century, "Rebecca of Sunnybrook Farm," and Miss Ann O'Day, the popular leading lady of the Emerson Players, who has been away for the past two weeks, will make her reappearance in the title role. "Rebecca" has been secured for one week only by special arrangement. Kate Douglas Wiggin and Charlotte Thorne, the authors, and already there is a big demand for seats for the attraction. Of particular interest to the theatregoers of this city is the fact that this play was originally produced in Lowell at topmost prices, and is one of the first cities in the country that the play is

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A wonderful production of "Rebecca" will be given with the new storm, the barn dance, the stage coach and the original features all the same. In the past ten days, the entire stage crew and the scenic department have been busy at work on the production, and the greatest offering ever attempted in Lowell will be given. It is wise to order seats early and avoid the rush.

MERRIMACK SQUARE THEATRE

Big, jolly Malyn Arbuckle appeared in his most delightful role at the Merrimack Square theatre yesterday evening. The former team having the pole at the present time. Three teams are tied for fifth place and the Kittledges are still holding on to the bottom rung of the ladder.

"Chey" Martel is the high individual roller, Kempton being second and Hall third.

Kimball System and Crescents are still tied for first place in the City bowling league, the rapid stride of the former team being accountable for the tie. During the early part of the season the "painters" failed to get into the stride but later picked up and since then all the other teams have had to look up and take notice.

The Crescents, however, have been traveling along fast and the contest between the two teams for first place is an interesting one. With Martel being the dependent bowler on the System team Jewett is the high roller on the Crescents.

The Jewels and White Ways are going it up and down for the third position, the Jewels having the pole at the present time. Three teams are tied for fifth place and the Kittledges are still holding on to the bottom rung of the ladder.

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Individual Averages

Martel 112.2, Kempton 107.2, Hall

105.2, Kelley 104.1, Houston 104.10,

Crabtree 104.10, Devlin 103.30, McCarthy

103.21, O'Brien 102.19, Dickey 102.17,

Flanders 102.7, O'Keefe 102.6, Concannon 102.4, Farrell

102.1, Devlin 101.32, Perrin 101.8, Sibley

101.3, McElroy 100.5, Kitteridge

100.13, Whalen 99.8, Marquis 99.6

Walsh 99.4, Johnson 99.25, Lane 99.4

McDermott 99.3, McRae 98.25, Donehue

98.1, Brigham 98.24, Jewett 97.32, Brewster

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94.8, Wynne 93.20.

## CITY LEAGUE STANDING

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## CHRISTMAS, 1916

Children measure their years from Christmas to Christmas; they look forward to each successive holiday with eagerness and expectation and when it has gone they think with a great sinking of the heart that it will not come back again until the snows of the season have given way to spring, and summer and autumn and the snows of another year. It is a long, long time to the heart of childhood; it is all too short to the heart that has put away childish things—but are we not all children at Christmas?

They who are not children at Christmas are to be pitied. For them there is no witchery in the wreath of holly or the mystic mistletoe. Santa Claus will bring no gifts of illusion to men who doubt his existence and they who refuse to become as little children shall miss the sacred exaltation of spirit that comes from contemplation of the group at Bethlehem. Luckily, these are the few; for the great majority, Christmas is a time of love, but holiness and happiness, and we know from the poets 'that the good are always the happy.'

Christmas time is a happy time, and why should not America be happy tonight and tomorrow? The glory of the season is on the land and joy is in the hearts of the people. The hills have given their trees to make the children rejoice, and peace and plenty have showered their blessings on city and farm and hamlet. The green and red tokens of the time have been hung in the windows, the stores have given of their gifts of love and friendship, and tonight there will be millions of fluttering expectant hearts in thousands of happy homes. The little stockings hang by the fireplace, the ladder is full of good things for the table and the Christmas spirit falls from the sky like the snow that brings God's message of peace to His people. In the churches the little cribs have been set out as they have been down the centuries and tomorrow the great organs will swell out exultantly and the voices of the singers will join in the song "Peace on earth to men of good will."

Christmas has been the greatest inspiration of the world since the night over nineteen hundred years ago when Christ was born in Bethlehem and when the shepherds saw the great light on the hills. It has been the source of the most beautiful national customs. It has thrilled painter and poet and composer and its story is the brightest star in the darkness of time. In the romantic medieval days when art and beauty were the handmaids of religion, it gave the world its greatest cathedrals and pictures and statues. Over and over again the dreamers gave their conception of the group of Bethlehem with Joseph and Mary bowed in wonderment and reverence over a little babe in a manger. The story of Christmas is a wonderful story that has lost nothing in the passing of the years. It is a story of joy and blessedness and hope.

Today the angels sing again their song of peace, but there is no peace on earth. In other lands many homes are desolate and the thoughts of millions of fighting men travel from the trenches to homes in France and Germany and England and the other warring nations. Men that Christ was born to save are destroying each other with brutal ferocity and the light of the angels shows scenes that should not be. Children surround desolate mothers in saddened homes and the gifts that were meant for the Christmas tree have been sent to the battle-fields. Many homes that once sheltered holiday groups are blackened ruins and the rulers pray to Odin and Thor instead of the child of the city of David.

Still, Christmas time is a time of hope. When Christ was born the world was a great deal like the world of today. Nations ruled by might and men had run riot in lust for power and conquest. Not long before the teachings and the influence of Christ had changed the face of the earth and love and human brotherhood became the ideal of mankind. Is it too much to hope that the like shall happen again—that soon the spirit of Christ shall quell the wild passions of men and that a resurrected world shall live in sorrow and hope before the manger? May it be so! In this great land of peace and plenty and Christmas cheer let us hope and pray that when Christmas comes again the whole world shall enjoy its beauty and happiness as we enjoy them today. Soon may the song of the angels be heard above the exhortations of the kaisers and tsars, the sultans and the czars and may the message "Peace on earth" drown out the booming of the cannon!

## TO ANNEX DRACUT

The movement for a stadium First street on the Centralville bank of the Merrimack river and the consequent development of the land along the river bank, including a new highway to Indian Orchard, revives interest in the proposition for the annexation of Dracut. If Lowell is to grow

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preparedness? Not likely. If our policy is to be one of matching the largest navy, the other nations will keep us going, and as a result the militarism of the past half century will not be a circumstance to the militarism to come. For the present, America ought to be satisfied with an army and navy for defense, but these should be efficient enough and large enough to protect the country from any possible foe from without.

DESERVED PENSIONS

The newspapers are so filled with agitations and news of requests for undeserved pensions that the granting of a pension in worthy cases stands out in grateful contrast. Such an instance was reported in the Boston papers yesterday in the case of the widows of the two brave foremen who lost their lives in the performance of their duty last Wednesday. A bill has been filed in the legislature to pay the wives of the dead firemen an annuity of \$300 each—and it deserves to pass. If the state and the various cities cut out the unnecessary and unearned pensions, and shut down on every applicants for the future, there would be money in abundance to pay to those who are entitled to pensions. Of such are the wives and dependent families of public servants who have given up their lives in the service of the people. There should be pensions for the heroes of peace as well as for the heroes of war.

## GIRL CALLED "CHICKEN"

MISS PAUL HAD HER FORMER SPOUSE ARRESTED—DEFENSE QUOTED ENGLISH CLASSIC

NASHUA, N. H., Dec. 24.—Ex-Alderman Thomas F. Moran quoted classic literature in district court yesterday morning to back up his contention that it is not derogatory to call a woman a chicken. Had his client, Charles Dubuque, referred to the complainant, Sam Paul, as an "old hen" or a "bazaar," the case might be different, he admitted. From the dictionary the lawyer quoted Dean Swift's reference to Stella being no longer chicken as meaning that she was no longer youthful.

Miss Paul had Dubuque arrested on a derivative language charge. She testified that some days ago she received through the mail a package which contained a chicken's head. Wednesday evening as she and a Miss Nadeau were passing along Pearl street, Dubuque, who was with Miss Clair Nadeau, remarked "the chickens are out tonight." She said she had been Dubuque's "steady" for some time.

Miss Nadeau testified that she was now keeping company with Dubuque and a short time ago received a letter of four pages threatening her life if she did not quit him.

Dubuque testified that while he had said "chicken" he did not intend the words for the complainant and her companions. He denied that he saw the chicken's head. Miss Paul denied she sent the letter to Miss Nadeau.

Judge Frank B. Clancy discharged Dubuque.

## CHRISTMAS EVE AT ASSOCIATE

Associate hall will be the scene of merriment and festivity this evening when the throngs of pleasure seekers will gather to attend the concert and dance which will be given by the Holy club. This entertainment is one of the principal ones of the evening and it is expected that large crowds will attend. If you are in search of good solid entertainment: this evening for either yourself or friends come to Associate hall. The pleasure concert will be followed by a dance, the music for which will be furnished by Miner's Merry Musicians. The admission is 25 cents. Come one—come all.

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American navy equal to the largest of all the other nations are in some respects false. They pre-suppose, apparently, that while we are increasing our navy to such an enormous extent the other powers will remain as they are or were before the war. This is highly improbable. England has always meant to keep the mastery of the seas, and it has been her aim to keep her navy far ahead of the navy of any other power. Shall England then allow us to increase our navy until it is superior to hers without in turn doing something to meet our

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## DOUBTS CENSUS FIGURES

Secy. Murphy Believes Lowell's Population Has Not Been Accurately Counted

In view of the recent announcement by the Bureau of Census Enumeration in relation to the growth of Lowell, Secretary John H. Murphy of the Lowell board of trade submits the following facts to substantiate his claim that the recent census is inaccurate and should have shown considerable gain.

## Industrial Situation

Lowell has been reported by state and national organizations as well as statistical organizations of a pitiful nature that industrial conditions were above the average during a period of at least three years. The trade depression period did not affect Lowell and the unemployment situation so common in other cities was not acute here.

Since the government census of 1910 and up to the time of the 1915 census the following industries have located in Lowell and provided for at least 2500 new hands. The firms are as follows: Boston & Maine Car Shops, Lowell Felt Co., Morris, Adams Shoe Co., Field, Lumber Shoe Co., Gillette Carbonizing Co., Ipswich Hosiery Co., Repair Shop, Mass. Highway Commission, Columbia Textile Co., Ring Piano Co., Northern Waste Co., George E. Double Co.

This list does not include new firms which took the place of firms which went out of business or reorganized. While there has been some curtailment, notably in the Saco-Lowell shops and the Belknap-Hartford Carpet Co., other industries have increased their working force in numbers to offset the curtailment in these plants. The mills have been working steadily. In many cases overtime, and there has been no situation which would cause people to leave Lowell in any great numbers, but on the other hand there has been a great tendency to induce people to remain here and also to come here.

The Savings banks deposits have increased year by year during the last five years and the number of depositors have increased to a surprisingly large number.

The merchants of the city report seeing many new faces in their establishments and the Lowell Credit Guide maintained by the Lowell merchants has at least 2500 new accounts in the new edition of the book.

## Birth and Death Statistics

The total number of births in the past five years were 16,112. Total number of deaths were 11,332, which would show an increase of births over deaths of 4720. This is a remarkably good showing as compared with other cities and is a certain factor which contributes to the growth of a city. The school census for years have shown increases and last year a gain of 1608 was made.

## Government Estimates

Census officials in Washington in their last publication concerning estimates of population gives Lowell a population in 1914 of 111,004. The estimates of the government are based on fairly reliable methods which in a majority of cases are accurate. The estimates being computed on adopted forms based on investigations which affect the growth of municipalities.

## Real Estate Survey

Interviews with the leading real estate men of the city and especially those who specialize in renting tenements show the fact that there are fewer tenements to rent in Lowell today than in the history of the city. This is especially true in regard to the better class of tenements and it is also a well known fact that the city of Lowell has experienced quite a well defined and somewhat large building

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## SUN LATEST

## NEW HAVEN TRIAL ENDS

Fate of Men, Charged With Conspiracy to Monopolize Commerce, in Hands of Judge Hunt

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—At the conclusion today of five days of argument on motions to dismiss the case against them, the fate of William Rockefeller and ten other former directors of the New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad, charged with conspiracy to monopolize commerce, was placed in the hands of Judge Hunt. He has the power to dismiss the indictments against all eleven of the defendants as not having been sustained by the government's evidence or to direct a verdict of acquittal against any of them individually. He announced that he would render his decision on Tuesday morning next. Meantime the

court will take a holiday recess. The long argument was concluded with an address by H. L. Batts for the government, who reviewed the chief points of the evidence in an endeavor to show that the defendants intended to violate the law in acquiring a monopoly. The government, he said, did not hold that any of the defendants profited personally by their participation in the alleged conspiracy but, in failing to withdraw from it when it came to their knowledge on entering the New Haven board and continuing to perpetuate it, they did nevertheless violate the Sherman anti-trust law. He asked that the case be submitted to the jury on the facts.

## ROPE AROUND NECK ON TRIAL FOR MURDER

YOUNG WOMAN FOUND UNCONSCIOUS IN CELLAR OF HER HOME TODAY

BEVERLY, Dec. 24.—Miss Dorothy Larcen, 21 years old, the daughter of Mrs. Mary Larcen of this city, was found in the cellar of her home in an unconscious condition with a rope around her neck. She died with regard to consciousness. As a broken end of the rope was hanging from a beam above, the police stated that the young woman probably killed herself.

## DRAACT CENTRE

At 7:45 o'clock tomorrow evening the annual Christmas cantata under the auspices of the Dracut Centre Congregational church will be given at the Grange hall. The affair is entitled "Santa's Mixup," and will be given under the personal direction of Miss Anna Roth. There will be no admission fee and all are welcome. The chorus will consist of 50 boys and girls. Following the cantata Christmas tree exercises will be held for the children. Sunday noon at the usual hour of the Sunday school the annual Christmas concert will be given at the church.

## 62 DEGREES BELOW ZERO

SWEDEN EXPERIENCING THE SEVEREST WEATHER OF THE LAST 150 YEARS

STOCKHOLM, via London, Dec. 21.—Sweden is experiencing the severest cold of the last 150 years. The temperature at some points has fallen to 62 degrees below zero.

U. S. STEAMER DETAINED

LONDON, Dec. 21 (Delayed by censor)—A despatch to Lloyd's from Malta says that the American Levant steamer Montana has been detained there.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

## YOUNG SOLDIER NOW A FATHER

Mrs. Wilfrid Desilets of Montreal, Que., and formerly of this city, according to the Montreal newspapers, is the youngest mother, whose husband is fighting under the colors of Canada in the trenches of France.

Mrs. Desilets, who is but 17 years of age, has recently given birth to a son, and both are doing well. The father of the new born child is Wilfrid Desilets, formerly of this city and a brother of Horace Desilets of Lowell. He is a member of the Canadian Ambulance Corps in the French trenches. It will be remembered that a few weeks ago an official report reached this city to the effect that Mr. Desilets had been killed in the trenches. This report, however, was denied some time later, and the young man is soon to receive word to the effect that he is now a father.

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# MICABLE SETTLEMENT

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## Conviction Prevails in Vienna That Differences With U. S. Will Be Satisfactorily Adjusted

VIENNA, Dec. 24, via London, 12.20 p.m.—In all quarters the conviction is entertained that the differences between Austria-Hungary and the United States which arose from the Ancona incident are susceptible to amicable settlement.

The Austro-Hungarian reply to the last Ancona note may be expected in a few days.

The second Ancona note from Washington is being studied here. Meanwhile the press is withholding comment. The remarks incident to the announcement that the note had been received were temperate and even friendly.

In tenor, and all circles are convinced the outlook may fairly be described as favorable.

No inkling has been gained as to the nature of the forthcoming Austro-Hungarian communication to the United States but in this connection attaches to an article by Prof. Emery Lanigan, one of the leading Austrian authorities on International law and a member of the tribunal at the Hague. Prof. Lanigan suggests at view of the fact that there is misunderstanding between the two nations, an international commission of naval experts from neutral countries be appointed to examine the Ancona case, as was done in the famous Zeebrugge incident. It is felt in certain quarters here that this procedure would offer the best chance of establishing the facts and thus placing the responsibility.

The Associated Press correspondent in state on the best authority that in Austrian government, as well as in German, is willing to do its utmost to maintain good relations with the United States, provided no conditions regarded as prejudicial to the honor of this nation are imposed.

At the American embassy the impression prevails that it is still possible to arrive at a solution of the Ancona question.

FRENCH OUTRAGE

LONDON, Dec. 24.—Commenting editorially on the sinking of the Japanese steamer *Yasaka Maru* in the Mediterranean by a submarine, the Standard says:

"This fresh outrage will rob any nation of any virtue. Even if there were no American passengers aboard the *Yasaka Maru* the circumstances of her destruction can hardly be absent from the mind of President Wilson when he comes to determine the next step in the controversy with the central powers."

### TREATED AS MURDERER"

PARIS, Dec. 24.—The *Matin* in an editorial today on the latest note sent to Austria-Hungary by the United States relatives to the sinking of the steamer Ancona by an Austrian submarine, says:

"The submarine commander having been declared not responsible, the government is indicted for murder in his place, and if that government does not give full satisfaction it must be treated as a murderer. This language can signify nothing less than a rupture of diplomatic relations unless America's demands are complied with."

### BERLIN PAPER ATTACKS WILSON

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 24, via London.—In commenting on the second American note to Austria-Hungary concerning the Ancona Incident, the *Volks-Zeitung* of Cologne, Germany, makes a vigorous attack on President Wilson. It says the president will not let slip an opportunity to gain a great success since "failure would prejudice his prospects for the next election."

The Berlin correspondent of the *Cologne Gazette* says the note leaves the door open for friendly discussions. He is couched in conciliatory terms, he adds, and the questions as to the facts of the case and the legality of the submarine commander's act may be discussed calmly and objectively.

## DEATHS

BURKE.—Bridget Burke died yesterday at the Chelmsford Street hospital, aged 70 years. The body was taken to the rooms of Undertakers James F. McDonnell & Sons.

WEBSTER.—Mrs. Louisa Webster, aged 81 years, died yesterday at her son, Andrew M. Webster, in Pelham, N. H. A funeral will be held at St. Patrick's church.

## FUNERAL NOTICE

McGRATH.—The funeral of Redmond McGrath will take place tomorrow (Saturday) at 2.30 p.m. from the St. Sargento church, Bayside in St. Patrick's cemetery in charge of H. Savage. Monday morning at 8 o'clock a high mass of requiem will be sung at St. Patrick's church.

## MATRIMONIAL

John Earl Normandie and Miss Florence Gillett were married last evening the ceremony being performed at 1 o'clock at the home of the bride, 1 Appleton street. Rev. Arthur Granahan, rector of St. Anne's church, the bride were well embroidered with net trimmings, and was attended by Miss Harriet Swanson of Medford, who wore pale pink silk. The best man was Walter Lenox of South Framingham, a cousin of the bridegroom. The ceremony was performed under a bower decorated with potted plants, the double ring service being used. The dining room was decorated with Christmas trimmings. The bride carried a snow-white bouquet of bridal roses, and was given away by her brother, John Gillett, while the maid carried a pink carnation. While the couple entered the reception room, the wedding march was played by Harold Normandie, brother of the bridegroom. Following the ceremony a brief reception was held. Miss Raymond Hartman acting as maid of honor, and the bridegroom and John Gillett, and John Chalmers. The ring-bearer was Miss Jessie Normandie, sister of the bridegroom. The bridegroom's gift to the best man was a set of gold cuff-links, while the gift from the bride to the maid of honor was a diamond bracelet. The maid-of-honor guests attending the wedding were from Melrose, Arlington Heights, South Framingham, Everett, Lawrence and Medford, N. H. After a brief honeymoon trip the happy couple, who were the recipients of numerous wedding gifts, will make their home at 1 Appleton place.

## SUN BREVITIES

Best printing: Tobin's, Asso. Bldg. If your teeth trouble you see Dr. Gagnon, 465 Merrimack street.

When you have any real estate to sell, consult J. F. Donohoe, Donovan bldg. Telephone.

Miss Edith Sanders of Lowell took part as a soloist in a Christmas party held this week at Wheaton college.

Last call for chances for the Lowell directory for 1916. All changes of recent date must be sent at once to Prince's Book store or to the board of health.

Mr. Harry L. Pilkington, formerly of this city, sails from New York on Tuesday of next week on the steamer *Rotterdam* for Europe, visiting England, France, Holland and Switzerland. He will be gone about three months.

A brilliant party was given last evening in Colonial hall by Mrs. Mary W. Holden of Colborn street, to present her daughter, Miss Mary Holden. The hall was beautifully decorated. Mrs. Holden and daughter received from 3 until 10.30, after which dancing was enjoyed.

The usher was Joe V. Nidge, Jr., Hildreth Meigs, Victor Blockmeyer, Clive Hockneyer, Frederick Church, Roger Eastman, Truman Safford and Percy Parker, Jr.

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IN FAVOR OF DOHERTY BROTHERS  
RETURNED BY JURY AFTER ALL  
NIGHT SESSION

The insurance case of Doherty Bros. of this city vs. the Phoenix and 12 other fire insurance companies to recover on 13 policies held by the plaintiff for loss by fire to their property at the Chandler Mfg. Co. of Aspinwall, which has been on trial before Judge Keating in the superior court this city for several days came to a conclusion this morning when the jury after being out all night, and after receiving further instructions from Judge Keating this morning returned a verdict for the plaintiff. In 13 different cases which aggregate a total of \$25,000.

On March 25, 1915 fire destroyed the Chandler Machine Company's plant at Aspinwall, in which the Doherty Brothers, who well known to the community, drymen of their city had a large lot of personal property stored, consisting of office furniture, machinery and extra and spare parts of planers and patterns, drawings, plans, etc. These they had insured as follows: Office furniture, \$300, machinery, parts of planers, etc., \$7500 and patterns, plans, etc. \$20,000. This insurance was carried in 13 companies, the policies running in amount from \$1075 to \$3250 each.

The Doherty Bros. and the insurance companies couldn't agree as to the amount of damage done and accordingly the customary three referees were appointed to appraise the loss. The Doherty Bros. were represented by Edward M. Woodward of Worcester, president of the Woodward Power company. The insurance companies were represented by George V. Rogers, of Boston, a professional appraiser. The third referee was appointed by the insurance commissioner and was W. L. Tobey, M. E. of East Boston. The referees held two hearings, on July 20 and August 4th, and on August 10 a majority of the board reported the losses as follows: Loss on patterns, plans, etc., \$25,000 on office furniture, \$300, on machinery, \$1200.

The insurance companies subsequent to the report of the referees again refused to pay the claims and then suit was formally brought and the case went to trial last week.

During the trial of the case, one of the jurors was excused by agreement on account of illness in his family and the case proceeded with 11 jurors. On the jury also was Mr. Martin J. Doran, of Framingham, a gardener by occupation. Shortly after the beginning of the trial Mr. Doran was seized with a severe attack of bronchial trouble and required medical attendance at the court house, but he declined to leave the panel and sat through to the finish, remaining up all night with his colleagues, last night.

The case went to the jury yesterday noon, and when submitted the jury was required to answer three questions: First, Did the plaintiffs or some one procured by them, set the fire? Second, Is the award valid? Third, Was the policy of the London Assurance company cancelled before the fire occurred?

The third question was immaterial compared with the other two for it affected the verdict only to the extent of a few hundred dollars.

At 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon the jury came in for special instructions. They wished to know whether if they answered "yes" to the second question, it would mean that the plaintiffs are entitled to recover the full amount of insurance, \$25,000, with interest added, provided that they answered the first question in the negative.

Having received the necessary instructions the jury then retired and when they had not returned a verdict at 3 o'clock, court adjourned until 10 o'clock this morning.

Upon the opening of court the jury came in once more for instructions and Judge Keating quoted to them from the case of the Commonwealth vs. Tuohy relative to minority jurors holding out against the judgment of the majority.

The jury retired once more and shortly before 11 o'clock returned verdicts for the plaintiffs against each of the defendants aggregating \$25,671.03, which includes interest since June 15.

Messrs. John M. and Frank J. Mooney of Ayer, appeared for the plaintiffs and Messrs. Came and Hobrook for the defendants. The case will probably go up to the supreme court on exceptions.

"Keep out of crowded places," Dr. Dixon says, "as one person having the grippe may give it to a carload of passengers." In this city the bureau of vital statistics issued 650 burial permits during the first three days of this week, the majority of the deaths being directly or indirectly due to the grippe. This is more than double the ordinary death rate.

It is estimated that nearly 15,000 persons in Philadelphia alone are suffering from the disease, which has been particularly fatal to the very old and the very young. Attendance at all the public schools has been greatly reduced, and in several sections of the state schools and colleges have been forced to close.

Factories, department stores and other business houses also have been affected by the epidemic and in many instances the number of employees obliged to remain at home has been so great as to seriously curtail operations.

Hundreds of firemen and policemen are confined to their homes with the disease, while the Philadelphia Rapid Transit company reports 400 of its employees on the sick list. Reports from Camden, N. J., last night were that there are at least 10,000 cases in that city, with 50 deaths during the past week.

40,000 ARE ILL

Chicago Physician Comments on Grippe Epidemic—Business Houses Are Hampered

CHICAGO, Dec. 24.—Doctors are working at high speed, many of them making more than 50 calls a day. Chicago business is battling against the handicap of disablement of many employees and lack of full efficiency of many other thousands. All this is due to the grippe.

Although the epidemic is the most serious since 1911, it is remarkable because in no cultures yet examined by the health department has the true grippe organism been found.

Isolation of every victim of the epidemic—forced isolation of employees if necessary—who attempts to work while suffering from the grippe, was urged yesterday by Dr. Karl A. Meyer, superintendent of the Cook county hospital.

Mr. Harry L. Pilkington, formerly of this city, sails from New York on Tuesday of next week on the steamer *Rotterdam* for Europe, visiting England, France, Holland and Switzerland. He will be gone about three months.

A brilliant party was given last evening in Colonial hall by Mrs. Mary W. Holden of Colborn street, to present her daughter, Miss Mary Holden. The hall was beautifully decorated. Mrs. Holden and daughter received from 3 until 10.30, after which dancing was enjoyed.

The usher was Joe V. Nidge, Jr., Hildreth Meigs, Victor Blockmeyer, Clive Hockneyer, Frederick Church, Roger Eastman, Truman Safford and Percy Parker, Jr.

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## YOUNG TUCKER GETS OFF

## PRIEST MISSING

## CITY CHRISTMAS TREE CHRISTMAS IN CLUBDOM

### Friends From Maine Secured His Release Under Suspended Sentence — Other Cases

Herbert A. Tucker, the 16-year-old youth arrested in Haverhill Sunday and brought to this city on a charge of larceny of \$10 in money and a varied list of small articles from Nelson's 5 and 10 cent store on Central street, appeared before Judge Enright in the juvenile session of police court this forenoon. He admitted his guilt.

Young Tucker went to work as a store boy in Nelson's store about Dec. 1. Last Saturday night instead of departing with his fellow employees at the usual hour the lad secluded himself in a closet until everything was quiet. He then rifled the cash registers in the store, gathering over \$10 in small change. He also helped himself to the following articles which were found in his possession in Haverhill: Seven ties, five shirts, one pair gloves, eight pairs stockings, one brush, one box shoe polish, one pocketknife, one pocket knife, two batteries, two flashlights, one shaving brush, one pocketbook, one pair garters, two and a half elastic, one printing press and type, one razor, two pocketbooks, one drum and one suit case.

The lad has no home. He claims that his father left him after the death of his mother several years ago. For four years he lived with a relative, Eugene Cate, Island Pond road, Manchester, N. H., and while there he had an excellent reputation. Large sums of money were before him continually, said Mr. Cate, and he was never known to touch a cent that did not belong to him. About Dec. 1, the boy left Manchester and came to Lowell to work. It is believed that while away from home and relatives he was influenced to commit the crime. When arrested young Tucker told the police that he stole because he was discouraged and needed new clothing for the Christmas season.

The defendant's guardian, Mr. J. M. Stewart of Woodland, Me., and Mr. Cate of Manchester, N. H., appeared in court this forenoon in the boy's behalf. They suggested to state of court that if the court would give the boy a chance, Mr. Stewart would take him to Maine and find work for him there. It being the first offence of any kind against the lad, His Honor agreed to do this. A representative of the Nelson Co. said that the firm was willing to sanction anything the court thought would be for the betterment of the boy.

Before imposing a suspended sentence to the Industrial School for Boys at Shirley, Judge Enright advised the lad to go with his guardian to Maine and be careful not to get into any similar trouble in the future. When arrested Tucker had about \$56 of the stolen money in his pocket. Mr. Stewart paid the difference in the amount and also paid the court expenses.

#### Served in British Army

The regular court session this forenoon was short. John J. Walsh, an old offender who claims to have served in the British army years ago, was accused of neglecting to support his wife, Annie M. Mrs. Walsh said that her husband deserted her the last time on Thanksgiving and she did not see him since until today. For 13 years, she said, she has been struggling along and now supports four children while her husband rooms about at his own will. The defendant offered an old excuse which did not appear to have any foundation. He was sentenced to four months in the house of correction with the understanding that different disposition will be made of the case if his charges against his wife prove to be true.

"Your Honor, you were my Sunday school teacher years ago and I wasn't a bad fellow then, was I?" pleaded James F. O'Neill after Patrolman Jos. Considine and another witness had testified that he was a nuisance in Merrimack square. The court looked at

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### Friends Fear Fr. Foppiano, of Boston, Met With Foul Play

BOSTON, Dec. 24.—A search practically nation wide, which has been in progress for the past three weeks, has failed to reveal any clue to the whereabouts of the Rev. Ludovic Foppiano, O.P.M., one of the Franciscan fathers connected with the Church of St. Leonard of Port Maurice on Prince street, North End, from whom nothing has been heard since Oct. 19.

Fathers are entertained by his brother clergymen and relatives in this city that he has met with foul play and the police of the entire west, together with federal officials, have been asked to search for him. He was last heard from in San Francisco from which city on the 19th of October he sent a post card to a sister in Boston stating that he was leaving for the east the next day. He was making a visit to San Francisco and the Panama exposition, beginning on his first vacation in the 20 years since his ordination.

Michael A. Sullivan, was brought in on a capias and sent to jail for three months. Frank P. Donahue, who recently appealed from a sentence to the state farm, was arrested this morning for drunkenness. His case will come up Monday.

### AMERICANS ORDERED OUT

#### VILLA PLANS NEW INVASION—GATHERING FORCES FOR AN ATTACK ON SINALOA

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 24.—Gen. Francisco Villa, stripped of a large part of his army through surrender to the de facto government, is preparing to invade Northern Sinaloa, together with the forces of Gen. José Rodriguez, in command of 2000 troops, according to advices here late yesterday.

Gen. Villa, it was reported, is preparing to move southwest from the Bustillo Ranch, in western Chihuahua, and pick up a small number of troops now under Gen. Medinaleta near Madero.

Gen. Rodriguez is said to be already moving from Casas Grandes toward Sinaloa.

The information was received here through messages to Villa from some of his remaining generals, intercepted by a line man repairing wires between Chihuahua and Juarez. Two employees of the Hearst ranch, near Madero, where Gen. Medinaleta is quartered, arrived yesterday, and reported four men held prisoners there on Gen. Villa's orders.

The manager of the property, who is here, says they are: P. Keane, English; F. S. Black and W. M. Evans, American; Richard Wagner, German.

All Americans were ordered out of Juarez at 8:30 yesterday evening and ordered to remain on the American side by Gen. Pershing, at the same time. Train traffic was discontinued. A mob was reported to have surrounded the government financial agency at Juarez, demanding money.

Gen. Manuel Ochoa with his staff yesterday returned to the American side. Ochoa, it is said, feared reprisals because of his imprisonment in Juarez of Gov. Fidel Alvarado and Gen. Victoriano Avila, before he surrendered to the de facto government. Col. Flaviano Belaz, a former Villa general, was placed in temporary command at Juarez.

Mrs. Thomas Edwards, wife of the American consul at Juarez, was the first American to cross into the United States following the order given out at military headquarters. Edwards left for the east several days ago.

The United States border patrol immediately was increased and traffic over the international bridges halted. No Americans were permitted to cross Gen. Pershing's order being rigidly enforced.

Later in the evening an official of the de facto government at Juarez telephoned that the situation was under control. He said there had been trouble with the soldiers over wages payments, but that this matter had been settled satisfactorily.

#### DISORDER AT JUAREZ

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 24.—The most pressing problem of the Carranza de facto government of Mexico today is the establishment of paper currency on a basis that will insure its acceptance by former Villa soldiers.

Last night's disorder in Juarez was the result of the discovery that there was no silver in sight. Preparations, however, had been made for an outbreak and it was speedily put down after a show of arms in the street.

The presence of agents of a party working in opposition to the de facto government was indicated when an official notice was given that two Americans were meddling in Mexican politics in Juarez. They were ordered to remain on the American side.

The state department has been urged to make strong representations to Oregon over the detention of the four foreign employees of the Hearst ranch near Madero, as well as upon the danger to 50,000 head of cattle on the ranch and upon the possibility of destruction of the Pearson interests at Madero.

The de facto government today is conducting Juarez affairs from El Paso, the former Villa generals being left to handle the Juarez situation until further orders.

Saturday, January 1st, is "Quarter Day" at the Lowell Five Cent Savings Bank.

### PRIEST MISSING

### CITY CHRISTMAS TREE CHRISTMAS IN CLUBDOM

### Great Hemlock Erected on South Common—Program This Evening—Large Crowd Expected

The municipal Christmas tree on the South common will shine forth its herald angels sing, which were written by Charles Westley, to an air by Mendelssohn.

#### "Joy to the World"

The bridal song from Goldmark's "Rural Wedding" will be given by the band. The carol "Holy Night! Peaceful Night!" will be given by the choisters. The von Suppe overture, "Poet and Peasant," will be the band number, after which the carol, "Joy to the World, the Lord Has Come" will be sung.

A band arrangement of Bond's "A Perfect Day" will be the novelty selection on this program, and the next number will be the old hymn, "Holy God, We Praise Thy Name." One of the finest choirs numbers, from Haydn's "The Creation," "The Heavenly Angels are Telling," will be sung. Then will come the maleic carol, "Cuckoo and the Happy Moon."

The Gloria from Mozart's "Twelfth Mass" will be played by the band, and following it will be sung "Adagio Bérengier," "O Come, All Ye Faithful," it is planned to have the number sung at midnight.

"Silver Trumpets," a grand march, will then be given. This number is played at St. Peter's Home, every Christmas and Easter, by a choir of silver instruments, and it heralds the approach of the saint. Loesey's "Forrest Whispers" will be played later, and the program will close with the playing and singing of "The Star Spangled Banner."

Leaflets containing the program of the municipal Christmas tree will be distributed at the common. The band will occupy the new bandstand, while the singers will occupy a specially constructed wooden stand near by.

### BRITISH LOSSES

#### Asquith Says Casualties Up to December Ninth Were 528,227

LONDON, Dec. 24, 12:04 p.m.—Replying to a written question by P. A. Molteno, member of the house of commons, Premier Asquith today gave the total casualties up to Dec. 9 as 523,227.

Detailed figures of the casualties as given by Premier Asquith, corrected the figures concerning losses at the Dardanelles given yesterday in the house of commons. At that time the casualties up to Dec. 9 were given as 52,921, a smaller total than the previous day given today for the operations to Dec. 9.

The casualties were distributed as follows:

#### Officers and France

Officers Other Officers  
Killed ..... 4529 77,473  
Wounded ..... 9813 241,359  
Missing ..... 1699 62,053

Total officers and men ..... 357,988

#### Dardanelles

Killed ..... 1867 24,535  
Wounded ..... 3028 72,751  
Missing ..... 350 12,194

Total officers and men ..... 114,553

#### Other Theatres

Killed ..... 871 10,515  
Wounded ..... 691 2,553  
Missing ..... 109 2,519

Total officers and men ..... 25,634

#### THE SALVATION ARMY

#### FULLY 125 BASKETS DISTRIBUTED THIS AFTERNOON FOR CHRISTMAS DINNERS

The annual distribution of baskets containing food for a good Christmas dinner under the auspices of the local salvation army to the worthy poor people of this city, took place this afternoon at the headquarters of the organization in Jackson street, and about 125 families were made happy.

The distribution was in charge of Adjutant Ayres, who was ably assisted by a large corps of workers, and was started at 3 o'clock. For a couple of hours the distributors kept busy investigating and giving away baskets.

Each basket contained a chicken, potatoes, meat, fruit, pie and in fact all that goes to make a good holiday dinner. Some of the chickens were large and others small, and they were given according to the cases, that is, a large family received a large bird, etc.

#### BREV

Mrs. Alice James-Johnson, mother of the two girls taken to New York by David Gilson, today paid the expenses incurred by the police in bringing the children back from the Children's colony in New York.

The Nineteen Hundred club yesterday afternoon entertained the inmates of the Billerica town farm with a musical program appropriate to the season. Several selections were given and refreshments were served.

#### KING PETER AT FRONT

#### Cousin Says Serbian Ruler is Watching the Operations of His Army

ROME, Dec. 23.—Prince Alexis Kara-gorgoevitch of Serbia, a cousin of King Peter, has arrived here after an adventurous escape from Albania, with his wife. The prince says that what is left of the Serbian army has resumed contact with the Bulgarians east of Elbasan, where fighting has been going on for three consecutive days.

King Peter went on horseback from Scutari to Tirana, the prince states, and then to Avlona, from which place he is watching the operations of his army which is commanded by Gen. Missleth-

ton until the last few years enjoyed walking a considerable distance. Her photograph was taken on her 10th birthday when a large reception was given in her honor. She looks forward hopefully to the future and has ten-year recollections of the past. Mrs. Brackett showed every indication of successfully passing several more happy Christmases.

Money deposited in The Lowell Five Cent Savings Bank on or before Saturday, January 1st, will draw interest from that date.

#### LOWELL WOMAN WINS

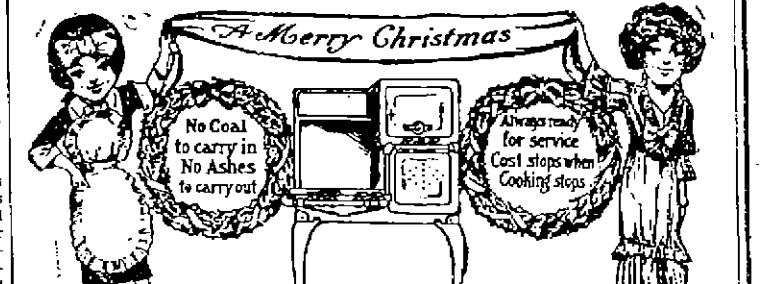
Mrs. L. M. Harrington Entitled to Allotment of \$1201.31 for Estate of Divorced Husband

WORCESTER, Dec. 24.—Mrs. Lilla Harrington of Lowell is entitled to \$1201.31 as alimony by the estate of the late Allen A. Harrington of Leominster, from whom she procured a divorce, under a decision handed down yesterday by Judge Wait in the superior court.

Mrs. Harrington procured her divorce in 1907 and with the decree an order for the payment of \$150 forthwith and \$250 a week thereafter as alimony.

In her petition against the estate of her former husband, Mrs. Harrington alleges that he paid her \$75 in 1907, \$60 in 1908 and \$70 in 1909, a total of \$205. Harrington died on Dec. 4, 1914, and Mrs. Harrington put in a claim against the estate for \$1195 and interest.

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**Highland Club**  
The entertainment committee of the Highland club has planned an elaborate entertainment for this evening and indications are that this year's Christmas eve celebration will eclipse that of last year which provided enjoyment for a large number of members and their friends.

Everything has been so arranged that the celebration will not conflict in any way with the municipal celebration on the South common and those who desire will have plenty of time to be in attendance at both exercises. The clubhouse and grounds will be beautifully decorated for the occasion and the numerous trees surrounding the well appointed club quarters will be brilliantly illuminated with varicolored incandescents. Candles